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SECTION 1.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

NOTE.—*Estimated Population of States.*—For dates subsequent to the Census of 30th June, 1954, the estimated population in each State represents the population ascertained at the Census plus natural increase and recorded net migration into the State since the Census. As complete records of interstate migration are not available, the estimated State populations so derived are approximate and are subject to revision when the actual population of each State is ascertained at the next Census. For some States such revisions were substantial after the Census of 1954.

AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Excluding full-blood Aborigines).							Capital Cities, 30th June, 1959.
		Census—30th June, 1954.			Estimate—31st December, 1959.				
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.		
N.S.W. ..	309,433	1,720,860	1,702,669	3,423,529	1,895,903	1,894,367	3,790,270	2,054,800	
Victoria ..	87,884	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	1,431,373	1,411,530	2,842,903	1,777,700	
Queensland ..	667,000	676,252	642,007	1,318,259	740,622	706,576	1,447,198	567,000	
South Australia ..	380,070	403,903	393,191	797,094	473,241	461,186	934,427	562,500	
W. Australia ..	975,920	330,358	309,413	639,771	372,252	354,237	726,489	389,000	
Tasmania ..	26,215	157,129	151,623	308,752	185,162	169,420	354,582	109,200	
N. Territory ..	523,620	10,288	6,181	16,469	11,308	9,046	20,354 (a)	8,600	
A.C.T. ..	939	16,229	14,086	30,315	26,386	23,564	49,950	43,973	
Australia ..	2,971,081	4,546,118	4,440,412	8,986,530	5,136,247	5,029,926	10,166,173	5,512,773	

(a) Municipality of Darwin.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia
AT 30TH JUNE.									
1954a	3,423,529	2,452,341	1,318,259	797,094	639,771	308,752	16,469	30,315	8,986,530
1955	3,490,331	2,523,018	1,344,572	819,549	658,538	314,679	17,580	(b)32,424	9,200,691
1956	3,553,432	2,605,088	1,370,697	848,526	677,389	319,648	18,297	(b)34,481	9,427,558
1957	3,622,906	2,673,498	1,396,740	873,123	691,882	327,895	19,170	(c)37,865	9,643,079
1958	3,689,175	2,741,397	1,417,404	896,750	705,250	335,418	19,579	41,167	9,846,140
1959	3,756,375	2,814,523	1,440,998	920,835	719,164	342,315	20,942	(d)46,070	10,061,222
AT 31ST DECEMBER.									
1954	3,462,313	2,480,877	1,322,752	808,243	649,415	319,511	16,140	(b)31,144	9,090,395
1955	3,525,923	2,555,021	1,350,684	834,635	670,750	325,801	17,007	(b)33,470	9,313,291
1956	3,588,344	2,632,623	1,378,947	861,912	684,835	332,810	17,853	(b)36,010	9,538,334
1957	3,660,497	2,700,635	1,401,427	886,203	700,214	340,866	18,515	39,114	9,747,471
1958	3,725,686	2,770,919	1,424,818	907,992	713,583	346,545	19,122	42,953	9,951,618
1959	3,790,270	2,842,903	1,447,198	934,427	726,489	354,582	20,354	49,950	10,166,173

(a) Census. (b) Revised estimates based on the results of the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows: 30th June, 1955, 32,750; 1956, 35,135; 31st December, 1954, 31,306; 1955, 33,960; 1956, 36,828. (c) Estimate based on the results of the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra. (d) Estimate based on the results of the June, 1959 Population Count of Canberra.

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.									
1954	3,405,414	2,422,839	1,300,464	785,981	630,705	309,416	15,930	29,595	8,900,344
1955	3,459,588	2,488,115	1,325,336	807,501	648,930	312,987	16,536	(a)31,249	9,090,192
1956	3,524,379	2,564,849	1,352,629	834,465	669,040	319,192	17,474	(a)33,642	9,315,670
1957	3,588,083	2,640,105	1,380,466	861,373	684,518	326,137	18,340	(a)36,013	9,534,985
1958	3,658,325	2,707,192	1,403,279	885,973	698,548	334,105	19,033	39,283	9,745,738
1959	3,725,916	2,775,750	1,426,019	908,294	712,257	341,274	19,674	43,429	9,952,613
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER.									
1954	3,423,488	2,453,458	1,313,055	796,361	640,140	311,128	16,214	(a)30,383	8,989,227
1955	3,492,385	2,526,275	1,338,995	820,143	658,747	316,153	17,040	(a)32,412	9,202,150
1956	3,555,854	2,604,283	1,366,496	848,531	677,317	322,216	17,896	(a)34,698	9,427,291
1957	3,622,557	2,673,654	1,392,384	874,159	691,723	330,200	18,730	(a)37,681	9,641,032
1958	3,693,282	2,740,286	1,414,362	896,933	705,600	337,735	19,226	41,110	9,848,534
1959	3,758,881	2,812,563	1,437,230	921,042	718,830	344,363	20,476	46,618	10,060,003

(a) Revised estimates based on the results of the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows: Year ended 30th June, 1955, 31,411; 1956, 34,132; 1957, 36,749; Year ended 31st December, 1954, 30,424; 1955, 32,738; 1956, 35,352 and 1957, 37,999.

INCREASE OF POPULATION.

State or Territory.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.
NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).					
New South Wales	41,854	41,650	46,139	47,695	45,617
Victoria	33,809	34,507	36,333	37,644	37,167
Queensland	21,045	20,223	22,084	22,417	23,250
South Australia	10,958	11,371	11,960	12,304	12,429
Western Australia	11,244	11,344	11,627	11,177	11,614
Tasmania	5,600	5,591	5,765	5,860	5,845
Northern Territory	396	449	531	591	672
Australian Capital Territory	735	910	966	1,093	1,170
Australia	125,641	126,045	135,405	138,781	137,764

RECORDED NET INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA MIGRATION (EXCESS OF ARRIVALS OVER DEPARTURES).					
New South Wales	21,756	20,771	26,014	17,494	18,967
Victoria	40,335	43,095	31,679	32,640	34,817
Queensland	6,887	8,040	396	974	- 870
South Australia	15,434	15,906	12,331	9,485	14,006
Western Australia	10,091	2,741	3,762	2,192	1,292
Tasmania	690	1,418	2,291	- 181	2,192
Northern Territory	471	397	131	16	560
Australian Capital Territory	(a)1,591	(a)1,630	(a)2,138	2,746	5,827
Australia	97,255	93,998	78,732	65,366	76,791

TOTAL INCREASE.

New South Wales	63,610	62,421	72,153	65,189	64,584
Victoria	74,144	77,602	68,012	70,284	71,984
Queensland	27,932	28,263	22,480	23,391	22,380
South Australia	26,392	27,277	24,291	21,789	26,435
Western Australia	21,335	14,085	15,379	13,369	12,906
Tasmania	6,290	7,009	8,056	5,679	8,037
Northern Territory	867	846	662	607	1,232
Australian Capital Territory	(b)2,326	(b)2,540	(b)3,104	3,839	6,997
Australia	222,896	220,043	214,137	204,147	214,555

(a) Revised figures based on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows: 1955, 1,919; 1956, 1,953; 1957, 1,820. (b) Revised figures based on the June, 1957, Population Count of Canberra are as follows: 1955, 2,654; 1956, 2,863; 1957, 2,236.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS—SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase. (a)	Net Oversea Migration. (b)	Total Increase.	Population at end of Period.
Year—							
1946	79,496	176,379	74,661	101,718	- 15,148	87,784	7,517,981
1947	76,457	182,384	73,468	108,916	10,611	119,982	7,637,963
1948	74,902	177,976	76,339	101,137	55,115	154,502	7,792,465
1949	72,999	181,261	75,260	106,001	150,001	253,105	8,045,570
1950	75,599	190,591	78,187	112,404	152,505	261,911	8,307,481
1951	77,298	193,298	81,788	111,510	111,433	220,426	8,527,907
1952	74,172	201,650	81,597	120,053	94,032	211,662	8,739,569
1953	70,640	202,235	80,188	122,047	42,897	163,117	8,902,686
1954	71,229	202,256	81,805	120,451	68,207	187,709	9,090,395
1955	72,172	207,677	82,036	125,641	97,255	222,896	9,313,291
1956	71,780	212,133	86,088	126,045	93,998	220,043	9,533,334
1957	73,696	220,358	84,953	135,405	78,732	214,137	9,747,471
1958	74,001	222,504	83,723	138,781	65,366	204,147	9,951,618
1959	74,363	226,976	89,212	137,764	76,791	214,555	10,166,173
Quarter ended—							
31st December, 1958	20,287	55,231	20,253	34,978	20,114	55,092	9,951,618
31st March, 1959	18,726	54,289	19,104	35,185	21,862	57,047	10,008,665
30th June, 1959	19,249	58,883	23,867	35,016	17,541	52,557	10,061,222
30th September, 1959	15,927	58,071	25,513	32,558	17,504	50,062	10,111,284
31st December, 1959	20,461	55,733	20,728	35,005	19,834	54,889	10,166,173

(a) Excess of births over deaths. For the period January, 1946, to June, 1947, excess of births over civilian deaths only. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals. Excludes troop movements for the period January, 1946, to June, 1947.

(c) Includes natural increase and net overseas migration together with adjustments for deaths of defence personnel and differences disclosed by the Censuses of 30th June, 1947 and 1954.

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

State or Territory.	Marriages.	Births.			Deaths.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.							
New South Wales	7,716	10,032	9,576	19,608	4,556	3,622	8,178
Victoria	5,834	8,103	7,658	15,761	3,293	2,637	5,930
Queensland ..	2,845	4,436	4,107	8,543	1,680	1,197	2,877
South Australia ..	1,740	2,414	2,379	4,793	942	764	1,706
Western Australia	1,461	2,162	2,126	4,288	782	582	1,364
Tasmania ..	718	1,124	1,068	2,192	332	275	607
Northern Territory	57	89	85	174	20	7	27
Australian Capital Territory ..	90	202	172	374	23	16	39
Australia ..	20,461	28,562	27,171	55,733	11,628	9,100	20,728

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.

New South Wales	28,201	41,316	39,550	80,866	19,857	15,392	35,249
Victoria.. ..	20,456	32,041	30,204	62,245	13,730	11,348	25,078
Queensland ..	10,581	18,295	17,304	35,599	7,276	5,073	12,349
South Australia ..	6,614	10,325	10,047	20,372	4,425	3,518	7,943
Western Australia	5,387	8,726	8,385	17,111	3,240	2,257	5,497
Tasmania ..	2,567	4,423	4,202	8,625	1,553	1,227	2,780
Northern Territory	205	407	389	796	101	23	124
Australian Capital Territory ..	352	708	654	1,362	111	81	192
Australia ..	74,363	116,241	110,735	226,976	50,293	38,919	89,212

State or Territory.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	27,645	27,313	28,767	28,554	28,201
Victoria ..	20,056	20,137	20,239	20,649	20,456
Queensland ..	10,098	9,934	10,271	10,255	10,581
South Australia ..	6,226	6,277	6,581	6,505	6,614
Western Australia ..	5,145	5,080	4,897	5,038	5,387
Tasmania ..	2,600	2,601	2,507	2,475	2,567
Northern Territory ..	151	160	178	201	205
Australian Capital Territory	251	278	256	324	352
Australia.. ..	72,172	71,780	73,696	74,001	74,363

DIVORCES.—Australia—1958, 6,983—1959 New South Wales, 3,386; Victoria, 1,877; Queensland, 745; South Australia, 510; Western Australia, 587; Tasmania, 192; Northern Territory 14; Australian Capital Territory, 29; Australia, 7,340.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.
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MARRIAGE RATES(a)—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales ..	7.92	7.68	7.94	7.73	7.50
Victoria ..	7.94	7.73	7.57	7.54	7.27
Queensland ..	7.54	7.27	7.38	7.25	7.36
South Australia ..	7.59	7.40	7.53	7.25	7.18
Western Australia ..	7.81	7.50	7.08	7.14	7.49
Tasmania ..	8.22	8.07	7.59	7.33	7.45
Northern Territory ..	8.86	8.94	9.50	10.45	10.01
Australian Capital Territory ..	(b) 7.74	(b) 8.01	(b) 6.80	7.88	7.55
Australia ..	7.84	7.61	7.64	7.51	7.39

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	74,407	75,714	79,456	80,045	80,866
Victoria ..	56,336	58,393	60,464	61,269	62,245
Queensland ..	32,352	32,409	33,763	33,872	35,599
South Australia ..	18,494	18,964	19,536	20,047	20,372
Western Australia ..	16,623	16,916	16,924	16,731	17,111
Tasmania ..	8,089	8,104	8,435	8,568	8,625
Northern Territory ..	515	556	646	697	796
Australian Capital Territory ..	861	1,077	1,134	1,275	1,362
Australia ..	207,677	212,133	220,358	222,504	226,976

BIRTH RATES(a)—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales ..	21.31	21.29	21.93	21.67	21.51
Victoria ..	22.30	22.42	22.61	22.36	22.13
Queensland ..	24.16	23.72	24.25	23.95	24.77
South Australia ..	22.55	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.12
Western Australia ..	25.23	24.98	24.47	23.71	23.80
Tasmania ..	25.59	25.15	25.55	25.37	25.05
Northern Territory ..	30.22	31.07	34.49	36.25	38.87
Australian Capital Territory ..	(c) 26.56	(c) 31.04	(c) 30.13	31.01	29.22
Australia ..	22.57	22.50	22.86	22.59	22.56

DEATHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	32,553	34,064	33,317	32,350	35,249
Victoria ..	22,527	23,886	24,131	23,625	25,078
Queensland ..	11,307	12,186	11,679	11,455	12,349
South Australia ..	7,536	7,593	7,576	7,743	7,943
Western Australia ..	5,379	5,572	5,297	5,554	5,497
Tasmania ..	2,489	2,513	2,670	2,708	2,780
Northern Territory ..	119	107	115	106	124
Australian Capital Territory ..	126	167	168	182	192
Australia ..	82,036	86,088	84,953	83,723	89,212

(a) Rates for periods of less than a year are calculated as equivalent annual rates. (b) Rates based on the revised estimates of mean population for the Australian Capital Territory consequent on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows:—1955, 7.67; 1956, 7.86; 1957, 6.74. (c) Rate based on the revised estimates of mean population for the Australian Capital Territory consequent on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows:—1955, 26.30; 1956, 30.47; 1957, 29.84.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.
DEATH RATES(a)—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.					
New South Wales	9.32	9.58	9.20	8.76	9.38
Victoria	8.92	9.17	9.03	8.62	8.92
Queensland	8.44	8.92	8.39	8.10	8.59
South Australia	9.19	8.95	8.67	8.63	8.62
Western Australia	8.17	8.23	7.66	7.87	7.65
Tasmania	7.87	7.80	8.09	8.02	8.07
Northern Territory	6.98	5.98	6.14	5.51	6.06
Australian Capital Territory	(b) 3.89	(b) 4.81	(b) 4.46	4.43	4.12
Australia	8.91	9.13	8.81	8.50	8.87

DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales	1,850	1,777	1,804	1,704	1,832
Victoria	1,035	1,128	1,219	1,178	1,320
Queensland	656	737	732	657	721
South Australia	431	377	403	449	422
Western Australia	373	384	357	360	345
Tasmania	189	170	170	167	202
Northern Territory	26	24	22	22	31
Australian Capital Territory	12	11	10	23	16
Australia	4,572	4,608	4,717	4,560	4,889

INFANT MORTALITY—RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS.

New South Wales	24.86	23.47	22.70	21.29	22.65
Victoria	18.37	19.32	20.16	19.23	21.21
Queensland	20.28	22.74	21.68	19.40	20.25
South Australia	161,774	159,588	137,283	278,184	43,128
Western Australia	22.44	22.70	21.09	21.52	20.16
Tasmania	23.37	20.98	20.15	19.49	23.42
Northern Territory	50.49	43.17	34.06	31.56	38.94
Australian Capital Territory	13.94	10.21	8.82	18.04	11.75
Australia	22.01	21.72	21.41	20.49	21.54

(a) Rates for periods of less than a year are calculated as equivalent annual rates. (b) Rates based on the revised estimates of mean population for the Australian Capital Territory consequent on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows:—1955, 3.85; 1956, 4.72; 1957, 4.42.

OVERSEA MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Figures to 30th June, 1933, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census. Figures from 1st July, 1933, are as recorded.

Period.	Total Arrivals.			Total Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1926-30	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,336	147,437	340,773	129,707
1931-35	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	-10,886
1936-40(a)	161,774	159,588	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45(a)	35,422	28,503	63,925	30,097	26,019	56,116	7,809
1946-50(a)	398,507	303,413	701,920	180,779	168,057	348,836	353,084
1951-55	581,300	446,566	1,027,866	340,819	273,223	614,042	413,824
1954	109,601	88,424	198,025	72,073	57,745	129,818	68,207
1955	133,463	103,774	237,237	76,805	63,177	139,982	97,255
1956	141,408	106,040	247,448	87,013	66,437	153,450	93,998
1957	123,487	109,841	233,328	87,081	67,515	154,596	78,732
1958	121,030	109,234	230,264	91,367	73,531	164,898	65,366
1959	139,941	113,955	253,896	98,917	78,188	177,105	76,791

(a) Excludes troop movements September, 1939, to June, 1947.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

Oversea Arrivals and Departures—Long Term and Permanent Movement(a) classified according to Nationality.

Nationality.	Arrivals.(b)			Departures.(c)		
	Quarter ended 31st December, 1959.	1958.	1959.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1959.	1958.	1959.
British(d)	16,753	60,196	64,056	10,499	34,071	31,519
American (U.S.)	530	1,352	1,730	202	873	761
Austrian	679	1,328	1,884	130	501	388
Belgian	16	49	61	9	36	16
Chinese	212	666	908	38	135	157
Czechoslovak	12	43	52	16	72	57
Danish	151	518	482	47	155	160
Dutch	2,614	7,490	8,613	561	1,798	1,519
Estonian	1	6	4	..	13	8
Finnish	534	1,651	2,379	17	37	52
French	63	362	289	80	304	270
German	2,684	5,824	8,940	478	1,783	1,338
Greek	1,015	5,363	5,807	122	607	514
Hungarian	74	720	284	27	142	87
Israeli	140	476	553	8	28	36
Italian	3,187	12,951	14,140	586	2,954	2,226
Japanese	39	359	188	25	99	107
Latvian	12	12	29	9	22	35
Lebanese	158	333	385	6	32	36
Lithuanian	1	8	10	9	42	42
Norwegian	77	121	207	18	47	42
Polish(e)	437	1,517	1,763	20	136	90
Russian(f)	74	518	892	13	124	101
Swedish	124	113	325	8	58	33
Swiss	162	212	428	34	133	115
Ukrainian	1	10	11	2	82	36
Yugoslav	397	1,219	1,814	27	93	115
Stateless	1,441	5,636	6,847	75	291	221
Other	140	804	941	93	310	363
Total	31,728	109,857	124,022	13,159	44,978	40,444

(a) Persons arriving who state they intend to reside in Australia for a period of one year or more and persons departing who state they intend to reside abroad for a period of one year or more.

(b) Excludes Australian residents returning from absences of less than one year and Australian troops irrespective of their length of stay abroad.

(c) Excludes visitors departing after a stay of less than one year in Australia and Australian troops.

(d) "Irish" nationality has been combined with "British" for the purpose of this table.

(e) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Polish.

(f) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Russian.

Oversea Arrivals and Departures—Long Term and Permanent Movement(a) classified according to Country of Last Residence or Intended Future Residence.

Country of Last Residence(d) (Arrivals) or Intended Future Residence(d) (Departures).	Arrivals.(b)			Departures.(c)		
	Quarter ended 31st December, 1959.	1958.	1959.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1959.	1958.	1959.
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	11,032	44,062	43,959	6,489	16,279	16,188
Canada	577	1,430	1,623	260	1,799	1,075
Cyprus	40	311	137	18	28	80
India, Ceylon and Pakistan	327	1,021	1,048	79	483	392
Malta	600	1,871	2,260	103	603	406
New Guinea	253	924	905	393	1,717	1,679
New Zealand	1,316	3,310	5,529	952	4,326	3,480
Papua	271	754	998	277	1,168	995
Union of South Africa ..	200	379	579	40	270	246
Other	1,654	5,106	6,077	1,079	3,429	3,409
Total, Commonwealth Countries	16,270	59,168	63,115	9,690	30,102	27,950
Austria	1,013	3,178	3,666	161	436	431
Denmark	133	507	438	42	134	155
France	152	659	796	80	325	310
Germany	2,871	6,120	9,646	485	1,500	1,370
Greece	1,033	5,023	5,873	142	731	688
Hungary	59	1,185	207	21	66	55
Italy	3,949	14,477	17,577	739	4,915	3,117
Netherlands	2,592	7,163	8,491	527	1,472	1,440
Poland	421	1,473	1,699	9	37	35
Yugoslavia	333	1,718	1,659	23	74	109
Other European	1,033	2,632	4,134	198	697	685
China	268	749	1,278	5	41	27
Indonesia	73	466	278	52	168	177
Egypt	33	846	140	5	17	22
United States of America ..	843	2,111	2,657	749	3,187	2,969
Polynesian Islands	61	171	231	33	234	124
Other	591	2,211	2,137	198	842	780
Total, Foreign Countries	15,458	50,689	60,907	3,469	14,876	12,494
GRAND TOTAL ..	31,728	109,857	124,022	13,159	44,978	40,444

(a) See note (a) on page 8.
(d) For a year or more.

(b) See note (b) on page 8.

(c) See note (c) on page 8.

Oversea Arrivals and Departures—Short Term Movement(a) classified according to the Country of Last Residence or Intended Future Residence.

Country of Last Residence(d) (Arrivals) or Intended Future Residence(d) (Departures).	Arrivals.(b)			Departures.(c)		
	Quarter ended 31st December, 1959.	1958.	1959.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1959.	1958.	1959.
Australia	18,684	59,065	61,754	17,545	58,888	64,631
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	2,883	8,737	9,090	3,155	9,876	11,077
Canada	441	1,031	1,207	280	1,068	1,213
India, Ceylon and Pakistan	450	1,412	1,482	363	1,304	1,358
New Guinea	1,137	3,797	3,665	1,060	3,312	3,980
New Zealand	7,368	21,434	24,046	7,389	22,154	25,519
Papua	1,331	3,681	3,939	912	3,098	3,584
Union of South Africa ..	190	579	613	176	507	717
Other	2,117	6,730	7,353	2,471	5,931	7,468
Total, Commonwealth Countries excluding Australia	15,917	47,401	51,395	15,806	47,250	54,916
Denmark	47	101	121	22	118	104
France	137	384	444	201	491	630
Germany	190	485	617	191	480	661
Greece	27	86	107	22	87	120
Hungary	2	90	10	2	21	7
Italy	96	241	285	127	392	482
Netherlands	431	853	1,057	323	847	1,157
Yugoslavia	26	111	160	68	34	111
Other European	346	852	1,223	465	871	1,300
China	43	146	142	23	95	122
Indonesia	141	634	473	146	349	513
Egypt	12	22	26	12	18	22
United States of America	2,108	6,065	7,433	2,093	6,434	7,734
Polynesian Islands ..	412	1,267	1,310	274	1,098	1,167
Other	818	2,604	3,317	802	2,447	2,984
Total, Foreign Countries	4,836	13,941	16,725	4,771	13,782	17,114
GRAND TOTAL ..	39,437	120,407	129,874	38,122	119,920	136,661

(a) Persons arriving who state they intend to reside in Australia for a period of less than one year and persons departing who state they intend to reside abroad for a period of less than one year.
 (b) Excludes Australian residents returning after absences of one year or more. (c) Excludes visitors departing after a stay of one year or more in Australia. (d) For a period of one year or more.

SECTION II.—PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INDUSTRIES.

WHEAT FOR GRAIN : AREA, PRODUCTION AND YIELD PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AREA. (^{'000} Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	4,651	2,748	442	3,080	3,413	10	2	14,346
1955-56 ..	2,937	2,141	582	1,609	2,890	6	1	10,166
1956-57 ..	1,742	1,565	360	1,438	2,765	4	..	7,874
1957-58 ..	2,257	1,835	461	1,331	2,957	6	1	8,848
1958-59 ..	3,178	1,810	704	1,408	3,292	6	1	10,899
1959-60(a)	3,800	2,229	700	1,513	3,650	8	2	11,902

PRODUCTION. (^{'000} Bushels.)								
1938-39 ..	59,898	18,104	8,584	31,675	36,844	205	59	155,369
1955-56 ..	57,149	41,083	14,922	28,891	53,250	129	19	195,443
1956-57 ..	28,490	35,282	7,061	31,432	32,100	89	1	134,455
1957-58 ..	10,603	32,134	6,657	14,914	33,100	153	5	97,566
1958-59 ..	66,441	42,697	16,097	32,032	57,650	164	40	215,121
1959-60(a)	73,000	38,150	13,000	11,700	58,000	200	50	194,100

YIELD PER ACRE. (Bushels.)								
1938-39 ..	12.9	6.6	19.4	10.3	10.8	20.8	28.7	10.8
1955-56 ..	19.5	19.2	25.7	18.0	18.4	20.7	25.5	19.2
1956-57 ..	16.4	22.5	19.6	21.9	11.6	22.7	11.1	17.1
1957-58 ..	4.7	17.5	14.5	11.2	11.2	26.1	8.9	11.0
1958-59 ..	20.9	23.6	22.9	22.8	17.5	25.4	28.1	20.7
1959-60(a)	19.2	17.1	18.6	7.7	15.9	25.0	20.0	16.3

TOTAL AREA OF WHEAT GROWN FOR ALL PURPOSES.
(^{'000} Acres.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	5,223	3,033	499	3,344	3,613	14	2	15,728
1954-55 ..	3,178	2,430	745	1,767	3,100	12	1	11,233
1955-56 ..	3,064	2,174	640	1,678	2,965	10	1	10,532
1956-57 ..	1,810	1,585	408	1,481	2,832	7	..	8,123
1957-58 ..	2,548	1,871	554	1,411	3,051	10	1	9,446
1958-59 ..	3,340	1,843	752	1,460	3,353	10	2	10,760

(a) Preliminary estimates.

OTHER PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.			Cut for crushing.	Cane Sugar. (94 N.T.)	

AREA. (^{'000} Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	1,784	745	324	98	3,250	262	..	23,500
1954-55 ..	2,574	1,691	170	107	1,984	374	..	21,695
1955-56 ..	3,354	1,894	167	94	2,241	373	..	22,454
1956-57 ..	2,556	2,093	182	101	1,861	370	..	19,401
1957-58 ..	2,958	2,121	184	118	2,237	376	..	21,471
1958-59 ..	3,974	2,381	180	105	3,018	370	..	25,097

PRODUCTION.								
Season.	^{'000} bush.	^{'000} bush.	^{'000} bush.	^{'000} tons.	^{'000} tons.	^{'000} tons.	^{'000} tons.	
1938-39 ..	15,555	10,881	7,057	274	3,321	5,679	820	..
1954-55 ..	32,834	29,400	5,076	468	2,856	10,087	1,328	..
1955-56 ..	56,487	41,655	4,755	402	3,625	8,901	1,172	..
1956-57 ..	35,396	49,279	5,494	519	3,043	9,272	1,208	..
1957-58 ..	31,426	30,466	5,639	575	2,969	9,249	1,293	..
1958-59 ..	86,905	62,976	6,717	575	5,090	10,213	1,412	..

(a) Not yet available.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVESTOCK (^{'000.})

March.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
HORSES.									
1939	531	344	(a) 445	(a) 196	(a) 144	(a) 30	33	1	1,724
1954	280	141	273	52	49	17	37	1	850
1955	258	132	267	49	47	16	33	1	803
1956	247	119	261	44	46	15	37	1	770
1957	235	108	255	41	45	14	(b) 38	1	737
1958	221	98	243	35	44	13	(b) 39	1	694
1959	214	91	240	33	41	12	(b) 39	1	671

CATTLE—BEEF.									
1954	2,268	829	5,703	230	600	122	966	6	10,724
1955	2,196	856	5,861	255	633	129	969	5	10,904
1956	2,341	954	5,946	302	673	148	1,028	6	11,398
1957	2,577	1,044	6,087	356	733	158	(b) 1,176	8	12,139
1958	2,429	1,026	5,917	338	771	166	(b) 1,244	7	11,898
1959	2,382	997	5,643	328	785	171	(b) 1,099	6	11,411

CATTLE—DAIRY.									
1954	1,286	1,541	1,383	261	230	174	..	3	4,878
1955	1,265	1,600	1,377	269	228	190	..	3	4,932
1956	1,338	1,662	1,384	264	224	184	..	3	5,059
1957	1,334	1,721	1,375	265	224	196	..	3	5,118
1958	1,307	1,724	1,270	259	226	205	..	3	4,994
1959	1,282	1,654	1,241	248	215	203	..	3	4,846

CATTLE—TOTAL.									
1939	2,812	1,697	(a) 6,097	(a) 319	(a) 768	(a) 262	900	7	12,862
1954	3,554	2,370	7,086	491	830	296	966	9	15,602
1955	3,461	2,456	7,238	524	861	319	969	8	15,836
1956	3,679	2,616	7,330	566	897	332	1,028	9	16,457
1957	3,911	2,765	7,462	621	957	354	(b) 1,176	11	17,257
1958	3,736	2,750	7,187	597	997	371	(b) 1,244	10	16,892
1959	3,664	2,651	6,884	576	1,000	374	(b) 1,099	9	16,257

SHEEP.									
1939	48,377	17,007	a 23,159	a 9,937	a 9,177	a 2,626	30	245	111,058
1954	59,639	21,438	18,194	11,838	13,087	2,465	31	252	126,944
1955	59,200	22,330	20,222	12,817	13,411	2,595	29	245	130,849
1956	62,988	23,343	22,116	13,585	14,128	2,673	33	258	139,124
1957	67,670	25,831	23,190	14,984	14,887	2,943	(b) 30	267	149,802
1958	65,410	27,090	22,274	15,236	15,724	3,293	(b) 27	256	149,315
1959	67,936	26,925	22,148	15,634	16,215	3,536	(b) 19	272	152,685

PIGS.									
1939	377	253	(a) 325	(a) 71	(a) 83	(a) 45	1	1	1,156
1954	372	232	384	61	101	46	1	..	1,197
1955	375	264	407	85	107	58	1	..	1,297
1956	343	227	373	73	90	50	1	..	1,166
1957	387	253	395	92	140	52	(b) 1	..	1,325
1958	397	279	423	108	151	62	(b) 3	..	1,423
1959	349	253	400	98	116	69	(b) 4	..	1,289

(a) December, previous year. (b) As at end of June.

PRODUCTION OF WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE). (^{'000} lb.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39	437,141	165,829	b 179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1953-54	544,934	223,481	174,414	145,509	134,442	20,116	290	2,276	1,245,462
1954-55	540,977	253,364	176,548	155,761	129,662	23,797	311	2,232	1,282,652
1955-56	593,712	273,356	194,014	173,697	156,454	23,418	393	2,328	1,417,372
1956-57	660,343	299,572	227,664	188,808	156,402	28,663	346	2,457	1,564,255
1957-58	557,287	296,490	204,375	185,843	158,281	29,154	291	2,133	1,433,854
1958-59	684,184	298,844	219,148	187,025	166,522	32,605	195	2,522	1,591,045

(a) Estimated prior to 1957-58.

(b) For year ended 31st December, 1938.

PRODUCTION OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia. (a)
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WHOLE MILK FOR ALL PURPOSES.
(⁰⁰⁰ gal.)

1938-39 ..	311,384	377,881	347,336	72,521	45,562	34,829	850	1,189,863
1954-55 ..	315,719	536,835	275,605	90,699	54,194	52,022	725	1,325,799
1955-56 ..	333,942	577,475	282,296	90,342	55,668	61,405	884	1,402,012
1956-57 ..	306,298	587,199	252,336	89,882	57,008	64,262	957	1,557,942
1957-58 ..	288,565	565,439	210,827	80,606	53,480	64,655	849	1,264,421
1958-59 ..	327,679	582,948	258,174	82,071	52,167	66,178	980	1,370,197
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1958	160,942	355,120	118,304	51,753	34,521	38,388	521	759,549
Dec., 1959f	186,451	378,517	127,371	46,189	37,965	41,257	614	818,264

BUTTER (Factory and Farm).
(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	53,045	58,292	70,369	9,248	7,252	5,283	8	203,497
1954-55 ..	40,128	80,182	46,223	8,704	7,266	8,571	4	191,078
1955-56 ..	42,568	91,354	48,541	8,724	7,506	10,214	4	208,911
1956-57 ..	35,299	89,322	41,422	8,598	7,545	10,664	4	192,854
1957-58 ..	31,394	86,873	32,595	7,170	8,676	10,846	3	175,757
1958-59 ..	39,128	88,683	41,334	7,189	6,229	11,001	4	193,568
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1958	18,668	55,785	18,417	4,760	4,698	6,557	2	108,887
Dec., 1959f	23,784	59,403	19,917	3,746	5,368	7,109	2	119,329

CHEESE (Factory and Farm).
(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1954-55 ..	2,508	20,302	7,921	13,101	1,086	275	..	45,198
1955-56 ..	3,379	14,010	7,579	12,633	766	333	..	38,700
1956-57 ..	4,019	20,567	7,137	11,958	1,190	345	..	45,216
1957-58 ..	4,042	14,863	5,175	10,495	1,025	376	..	35,976
1958-59 ..	5,044	17,473	8,220	11,200	1,191	375	..	43,503
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1958	2,586	10,580	3,914	8,278	829	207	..	26,394
Dec., 1959f	2,350	11,831	4,863	7,511	1,080	195	..	27,830

CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC., MILK PRODUCTS : AUSTRALIA. (a)

Period.	Full Cream Milk Products.				Total Whole Milk Equiva- lent of Full Cream Milk Products.	Milk By-Products.			
	Condensed, Concentrated and Evaporated Full Cream Milk.(b)		Powdered Full Cream Milk.	Infants' and Invalids' Foods. (d)		Con- densed, Concen- trated and Evaporat- ed Skim and But- termilk.	Powder- ed Skim Milk	Powder- ed But- termilk and Whey. (e)	Casein.
	Sweetened (c)	Un- sweetened.							
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	'000 gals.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1954-55..	30,520	18,045	15,539	10,921	64,365	6,053	24,618	5,086	6,870
1955-56..	35,065	25,561	17,211	12,861	71,324	3,866	30,893	4,990	9,367
1956-57..	39,980	28,221	17,864	13,567	78,123	4,731	30,567	5,551	7,730
1957-58..	37,358	28,357	18,073	13,977	79,864	7,274	24,580	5,668	10,663
1958-59..	31,627	29,776	19,183	13,993	81,074	4,943	34,128	6,024	11,328
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	20,086	17,899	11,480	7,635	49,604	3,092	20,152	3,647	7,566
Dec., 1959f	23,243	19,343	11,255	8,025	49,253	2,795	27,445	4,425	6,940

(a) Excludes Northern Territory. (b) Includes (i) mixtures of Full Cream and Skim Milk and (ii) mixtures of Full Cream, Skim and Buttermilk. (c) Includes "Coffee and Milk". (d) Includes Malted Milk and Milk Sugar (Lactose). (e) Includes Powdered Mixed Skim and Buttermilk. (f) Subject to revision.

PRODUCTION OF MEAT (BONE-IN WEIGHT).
(Tons.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
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BEEF (Including Veal).

1938-39 ..	172,001	113,985	207,007	24,731	27,733	10,946	2,235	572	559,210
1954-55 ..	215,462	142,719	271,550	34,431	37,087	13,670	3,374	1,616	719,909
1955-56 ..	222,315	139,114	291,532	37,512	38,170	15,416	5,203	1,795	751,057
1956-57 ..	235,143	158,967	316,754	40,262	38,267	17,916	5,371	1,906	814,586
1957-58 ..	232,533	180,695	270,519	41,070	39,517	20,040	4,917	2,165	791,456
1958-59 ..	274,849	188,822	327,680	42,167	45,390	20,405	5,102	1,968	906,383
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	140,395	89,074	176,513	20,371	22,861	9,876	2,604	978	462,672
Dec., 1959(a)	115,247	85,634	135,822	18,306	24,926	11,248	2,490	991	394,664

MUTTON.

1938-39 ..	72,131	77,445	18,950	18,495	14,362	4,004	5	356	205,748
1954-55 ..	73,484	93,322	17,254	28,581	20,916	6,050	78	845	240,530
1955-56 ..	70,841	85,515	21,215	27,303	23,338	5,177	59	980	234,428
1956-57 ..	70,414	75,135	21,561	26,526	23,640	5,720	49	865	223,910
1957-58 ..	76,682	107,422	21,864	35,306	21,909	5,604	90	903	269,780
1958-59 ..	88,737	123,321	25,908	34,668	29,590	7,326	93	738	310,381
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	43,655	56,682	12,746	16,732	15,610	3,112	46	366	148,949
Dec., 1959(a)	48,702	77,606	13,920	20,865	16,032	4,380	57	375	181,937

LAMB.

1938-39 ..	28,535	58,685	1,506	15,557	7,852	2,325	..	84	114,544
1954-55 ..	49,015	62,289	1,296	21,272	7,497	5,851	..	414	147,634
1955-56 ..	49,774	60,713	1,805	17,036	9,421	6,601	..	353	145,703
1956-57 ..	51,533	56,118	2,305	16,037	9,663	6,887	..	333	142,876
1957-58 ..	51,118	61,685	2,517	18,375	10,033	7,617	..	351	151,696
1958-59 ..	67,283	70,058	3,378	20,333	11,285	9,077	..	531	181,945
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	35,274	44,766	1,675	14,925	8,046	4,218	..	264	109,168
Dec., 1959(a)	40,332	39,815	1,955	13,467	7,149	4,915	..	255	107,888

PIGMEAT.

1938-39 ..	27,308	21,824	24,582	6,047	3,933	3,145	8	43	86,890
1954-55 ..	33,031	22,058	23,645	8,115	8,873	3,429	65	192	99,408
1955-56 ..	30,543	21,492	21,921	8,124	7,922	3,635	67	204	93,908
1956-57 ..	28,879	21,178	20,200	7,367	7,475	3,341	59	200	88,699
1957-58 ..	28,683	24,343	23,131	9,516	11,405	4,216	82	239	101,615
1958-59 ..	27,253	23,770	26,210	9,451	9,991	4,911	113	187	101,886
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	14,466	12,022	13,041	5,075	5,687	2,097	60	91	52,539
Dec., 1959(a)	13,132	11,451	13,079	4,351	5,181	2,435	46	95	50,270

TOTAL MEAT.

1938-39 ..	299,975	271,939	252,045	64,829	53,880	20,421	2,248	1,055	966,392
1954-55 ..	370,992	320,388	313,745	92,399	74,373	29,000	3,517	3,067	1,207,481
1955-56 ..	373,473	306,834	336,473	89,975	78,851	30,829	5,329	3,332	1,225,096
1956-57 ..	385,969	311,398	360,820	90,192	79,045	33,864	5,479	3,304	1,270,071
1957-58 ..	393,923	374,474	316,097	103,150	83,126	36,821	5,089	3,658	1,316,338
1958-59 ..	458,122	405,971	383,176	106,619	96,256	41,719	5,308	3,424	1,500,595
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	233,790	202,544	203,975	57,103	52,204	19,303	2,710	1,699	773,328
Dec., 1959(a)	217,413	214,506	164,776	57,489	53,288	22,978	2,593	1,716	734,759

(a) Subject to revision.

MINING AND QUARRYING—VALUE OF OUTPUT(a).
(£'000.)

Industry and Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust.
1957.								
Metal Mining—								
Gold Mining ..	268	736	301	1	13,804	..	973	16,083
Silver-Lead-Zinc Mining	26,820	(b)	(b)	10	(b)	1,951	(b)	39,473
Copper-Gold Mining	12	..	(b)	1	56	(b)	1,024	5,652
Tin Mining ..	173	(b)	625	..	151	808	(b)	1,762
Mineral Sands Mining	6,219	..	(b)	..	(b)	..	..	9,792
Other Metal Mining	97	(b)	(b)	4,377	1,408	(b)	52	7,992
Total Metal Mining	33,589	760	16,650	4,389	16,152	7,160	2,054	80,754
Fuel Mining—								
Black Coal Mining ..	40,450	556	7,177	911	2,553	632	..	52,279
Brown Coal Mining ..	..	5,228	..	..	..	..	..	5,228
Total Fuel Mining	40,450	5,784	7,177	911	2,553	632	..	57,507
Non-Metal (excl. Fuel) Mining(c) ..	2,632	1,231	582	2,693	1,516	291	72	9,017
Construction Material Quarrying (c) ..	6,499	4,953	1,167	3,879	758	333	69	(d) 17,833
Total All Mining and Quarrying ..	83,170	12,728	25,576	11,872	20,979	8,421	2,195	d 165,111
1956(c) ..	88,790	11,891	30,204	11,910	20,230	10,555	2,594	d 176,320
1955(c) ..	84,244	10,917	26,892	10,512	19,746	10,744	1,691	d 164,871
1954(c) ..	78,202	10,080	21,602	8,580	20,736	8,955	1,145	d 149,403
1953(c) ..	72,346	9,329	17,284	6,203	20,011	8,037	1,221	d 134,542
1952(c) ..	77,097	8,535	17,430	6,047	17,703	8,750	1,282	136,844

(a) Selling value at point of sale of mine or quarry product less transport costs from mine or quarry to point of sale (i.e. value of output at mine or quarry.) (b) Not available for publication.
(c) Incomplete for some Non-Metal (excluding Fuel) Mining and for Construction Material Quarrying in some States. (d) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Principal Metallic Contents of Minerals Produced.						Coal.	
	Copper.	Gold.	Iron.(a)	Lead.	Tin.	Tungsten.(b)	Zinc.	
	tons.	'000 f.oz.	'000 tons	'000 tons	tons.	tons.	'000 tons	'000 tons.

SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1959.(c)

New South Wales	942	3	..	66	40	..	54	4,397	..
Victoria ..	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	22	3,621
Queensland ..	15,088	19	..	13	353	..	4	714	..
South Australia ..	..	..	564	..	..	..	..	169	..
Western Australia	833	218	130	..	42	..	..	248	..
Tasmania ..	2,585	5	..	4	229	161	9	84	..
Nor. Territory ..	2,338	17	..	..	..	8	..	..	..
Australia—									
Sept., Qtr. 1959(c)	21,783	271	694	83	664	169	67	5,634	3,621
Sept., Qtr. 1958	19,132	291	654	93	656	190	74	5,656	3,238

YEARS.

1958 ..	75,018	1,104	2,544	323	2,237	850	263	20,442	11,644
1957 ..	59,255	1,084	2,466	334	1,952	1,409	292	19,919	10,741
1956 ..	54,547	1,030	2,543	299	2,078	1,582	278	19,274	10,560
1955 ..	47,312	1,049	2,304	296	2,017	1,432	257	19,275	10,112
1954 ..	41,891	1,118	2,274	285	2,075	1,372	253	19,763	9,331
1953 ..	37,462	1,075	2,132	269	1,553	1,406	239	18,411	8,257

(a) Partly estimated. Excludes iron content of iron oxide not intended for metal extraction or fluxing. (b) In terms of WO₃ (tungstic oxide). (c) Subject to revision.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Australia.

Year.	(1) Factories.	(2) Persons Em- ployed. (a)	(3) Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	(4) Value of Fuel, etc., Used.	(5) Value of Materials Used. (c)	(6) Value of Pro- duction. (d)	(7) Value of Output. (e)	(8) Value of Plant, Machinery Land and Buildings.
1938-39 ..	26,941	565,106	£'000. 106,743	£'000. 15,700	£'000. 281,303	£'000. 203,417	£'000. 500,420	£'000. 274,582
1954-55 ..	51,056	1,031,082	781,640	128,382	1,940,698	1,365,509	3,434,539	1,254,288
1955-56 ..	52,406	1,080,498	853,469	139,027	2,124,319	1,500,714	3,764,060	1,459,122
1956-57 ..	53,200	1,063,398	891,090	153,110	2,247,183	1,622,120	4,022,413	1,685,949
1957-58 ..	53,988	1,073,807	929,290	158,798	2,386,361	1,728,723	4,273,882	1,873,037
1958-59 ..	54,888	1,088,256	970,553	164,252	2,485,079	1,840,601	4,489,932	2,070,413

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors. (b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors. (c) Includes value of containers, packing, etc., tools replaced and repairs to plant. (d) Value of production equals figures in column (7) less total of figures in columns (4) and (5). (e) Value of goods produced including amounts received for work done.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—States.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39.							
1. Factories ..	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Persons employed(a) ..	228,781	201,831	54,110	48,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) £'000	44,806	36,027	10,887	8,169	4,574	2,480	106,743
4. Value of fuel, etc., used ..	7,652	4,000	1,423	1,018	1,169	438	15,700
5. „ materials used(c), ..	120,502	82,971	42,596	20,309	9,604	5,321	281,303
6. „ production(d) „	90,266	65,996	19,302	13,678	8,776	5,399	203,417
7. „ output(e) „	218,420	152,967	63,321	35,005	19,549	11,158	500,420
8. „ land & buildings „	57,353	42,026	12,299	8,711	6,814	3,717	130,920
9. „ plant & mchry „	62,693	38,627	18,095	9,750	8,095	6,402	143,662
1957-58.							
1. Factories ..	22,270	16,426	5,528	4,168	3,941	1,655	53,988
2. Persons employed(a) ..	445,802	357,143	101,844	92,472	48,462	28,084	1,073,807
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) £'000	396,692	310,540	78,958	79,844	37,935	25,321	929,290
4. Value of fuel, etc., used ..	73,452	42,762	13,152	14,933	9,425	5,074	158,798
5. „ materials used(c), ..	1,016,928	768,459	248,647	183,880	111,525	56,922	2,386,361
6. „ production(d) „	757,862	566,476	143,958	133,285	75,312	51,830	1,728,723
7. „ output(e) „	1,848,242	1,377,697	405,757	332,098	196,262	113,826	4,273,882
8. „ land & buildings „	350,169	280,207	63,927	61,084	36,846	59,453	851,686
9. „ plant & mchry „	415,838	310,879	104,598	79,336	63,840	46,860	1,021,351
1958-59.							
1. Factories ..	22,684	16,527	5,651	4,235	4,125	1,666	54,888
2. Persons employed(a) ..	449,518	362,979	104,753	94,165	48,417	28,424	1,088,256
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) £'000	413,015	324,336	85,497	83,145	38,732	25,828	970,553
4. Value of fuel, etc., used ..	76,275	43,377	14,964	14,590	9,587	5,459	164,252
5. „ materials used(c), ..	1,070,862	778,716	280,757	188,358	107,853	58,533	2,485,079
6. „ production(d) „	803,315	608,948	155,465	139,810	78,762	54,301	1,840,601
7. „ output(e) „	1,950,452	1,431,041	451,186	342,758	196,202	118,293	4,489,932
8. „ land & buildings „	400,643	313,230	68,995	66,278	40,690	61,830	951,666
9. „ plant & mchry „	459,718	347,428	112,528	84,749	66,098	48,226	1,118,747

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors. (b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors. (c) Includes value of containers, packing, etc., tools replaced and repairs to plant. (d) Value of production equals figures in line 7 less total of figures in lines 4 and 5. (e) Value of goods produced, including amounts received for work done.

Manufacturing Industries—Value of Production(a)—Australia.
(£'000.)

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products	5,146	37,495	40,542	43,973
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, etc.	5,572	32,266	34,319	38,449
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils, Grease	12,456	136,886	145,659	158,996
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Conveyances	62,435	640,831	694,496	735,784
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate	931	7,346	7,929	7,582
VII. Textiles and Textile Goods (not dress)	10,918	91,469	91,498	95,626
VIII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear)	3,183	16,523	16,390	17,321
VIII. Clothing (except Knitted)	16,551	105,518	108,070	110,744
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco	41,601	214,430	224,936	234,762
X. Sawmills, Joinery, Boxes, etc., Wood Turning and Carving	9,461	79,629	83,053	88,144
XI. Furniture of Wood, Bedding, etc.	4,200	26,330	28,701	30,263
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, etc.	14,559	108,710	120,706	131,683
XIII. Rubber	2,761	28,530	30,209	32,805
XIV. Musical Instruments	136	3,657	2,105	2,077
XV. Miscellaneous Products	2,098	31,884	34,019	37,230
XVI. Heat, Light and Power	11,409	60,616	66,091	74,662
Total	203,417	1,622,120	1,728,723	1,840,601

(a) See note (d) to previous table.

Manufacturing Industries—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid per Employee(a)
(£.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females ..	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1954-55—Males ..	906.61	891.40	773.47	883.13	797.80	833.05	877.84
Females ..	514.94	529.63	431.68	477.12	434.21	487.12	509.56
1955-56—Males ..	967.45	955.00	802.89	925.47	839.62	904.78	933.92
Females ..	540.06	547.43	445.22	496.84	449.61	500.06	530.23
1956-57—Males ..	1010.17	981.79	857.48	953.42	856.63	970.11	970.88
Females ..	569.11	578.14	464.68	507.53	467.32	537.11	557.94
1957-58—Males ..	1034.19	1023.48	881.32	970.33	884.66	1018.45	1001.28
Females ..	586.89	597.81	487.69	536.42	479.14	569.66	578.10
1958-59—Males ..	1065.21	1052.69	926.77	992.28	905.12	1026.66	1031.05
Females ..	607.71	605.66	505.75	543.49	489.60	554.24	591.74

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

Manufacturing Industries—Average Number of Males and Females Employed(a)
over whole Year, 1958-59.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males	340,757	263,847	87,454	77,427	41,951	23,504	834,940
Females	108,761	99,132	17,299	16,738	6,466	4,920	253,316
Masculinity(b) ..	313	266	506	463	649	478	330

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Number of males per 100 females.

PRODUCTION OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES—AUSTRALIA.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	1938-39.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59. (a)
Beer	Mill. gal.	89	222	227	221	226	(b) 228
Biscuits	Mill. lb.	73.7	150.8	158.6	162.5	165.5	172.1
Blankets	Thousand	1,147	1,532	1,657	1,678	1,855	1,681
Boots, Shoes and Sandals	'000 pair	13,967	19,881	19,815	20,938	21,395	24,024
Bricks, Clay	Million	721	839	840	805	878	959
Cement Building Sheets	Mill. sq. yds.	9.5	28.1	26.7	25.4	26.0	26.9
Cement, Portland	'000 tons	868	1,920	2,035	2,173	2,291	2,491
Cloth, Woven, Woollen(e)	Mill sq. yds.	81.8	81.1	80.3	82.8	81.7	87.2
Coal—Black	'000 tons	12,608	19,352	19,033	19,711	20,362	20,383
Brown	" "	3,663	9,668	10,383	10,772	10,866	12,338
Confectionery—Chocolate	Mill. lb.	43.5	57.0	62.4	68.8	63.8	66.7
Other	" "	58.1	81.5	83.1	87.4	88.9	92.1
Copper, Refined(d)	'000 tons	17.5	30.4	24.5	32.5	35.8	44.9
Electricity	Mill. kWh	4,688	15,202	16,675	18,289	19,796	21,135
Electric Motors	Thousand	31.7	1,183.1	1,116.8	954.3	1,127.5	1,318.2
Engines, Internal Combustion—							
Marine(e)	Number	2,957	1,380	1,246	1,780	3,130	4,147
Other(f)	" "	2,889	48,275	103,342	183,151	188,881	292,414
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	7,605	17,784	18,125	16,257	17,439	18,091
Flour, Wheat	'000 short tons	1,373	1,553	1,571	1,632	1,373	1,359
Fruit, Preserved(g)	Mill. lb.	150.7	319.2	304.3	289.5	349.4	317.1
Gas(h)	Mill. cub. ft.	21,472	43,465	44,578	46,653	47,655	48,655
Gold (Mine Production)	'000 fine oz.	1,621	1,080	1,032	1,060	1,106	1,065
Hosiery—Men's and Boys'	'000 doz. pr.	1,102	1,664	1,560	5,215	4,815	4,735
Women's and Girls'	" " "	2,747	3,549	3,367			
Children's	" " "	4,262	14,796	16,018			
Ice Cream	'000 gal.	1,105	1,389	1,911	2,098	2,234	2,289
Iron and Steel(i)—Pig Iron	'000 tons	1,170	2,209	2,320	2,774	3,038	3,195
Ingot Steel	" "						
Jam	Mill. lb.	84.9	81.7	84.1	92.2	107.8	75.0
Lacquers	'000 gal.	576	1,476	1,499	1,451	1,559	1,597
Lead(j)	'000 tons	233	235	221	240	246	239
Malt, Barley and Wheat	'000 bush.	3,733	7,663	7,928	8,062	8,373	8,258
Margarine—Table	'000 lb.	7,448	21,972	26,552	38,632	36,033	36,058
Other	" "	31,221	49,171	43,443	44,576	47,017	54,031
Meat, Canned(k)	'000 tons	14.4	73.8	70.5	69.1	83.7	70.2
Newsprint	" "		73.6	79.0	79.6	81.1	83.1
Paints, Ready Mixed and Enamels	'000 gal.	2,690	9,739	10,679	10,873	11,090	11,401
Refrigerators, Domestic	Thousand	29.5	280.6	247.4	195.5	195.9	216.7
Silver, Refined	'000 fine oz.	9,455	7,627	8,136	8,725	8,459	8,407
Slippers	'000 pr.	7,704	7,324	7,977	8,214	9,153	8,505
Soap	'000 cwt.	993	1,300	1,304	1,232	1,312	1,243
Stoves, Cooking(l) Electric (m)	Thousand	(n)	47.1	47.8	51.9	55.1	65.3
Gas	" "	46.7	58.8	57.1	54.6	56.0	67.3
Solid Fuel	" "	54.5	49.8	47.3	46.0	43.2	39.3
Sugar, Refined	'000 tons	339	482	483	480	493	521
Sulphate of Ammonia	" "	24.3	78.4	75.3	110.9	118.7	117.8
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	" "	489	835	896	879	992	981
Superphosphate	" "	1,199	1,961	2,126	1,975	2,220	2,124
Tiles, Roofing—Terracotta	Million	39.7	63.9	64.7	57.7	58.9	59.3
Cement	" "	4.5	53.7	53.8	44.6	49.5	52.2
Timber, Sawn Native(o)	Mill. sup. ft.	717	1,449	1,450	1,419	1,391	1,480
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes	Mill. lb.	28.3	44.5	46.1	49.5	51.1	51.7
Vegetables, Preserved(p)	" "	10.3	51.1	77.8	98.4	87.0	66.6
Wool, Scoured	" "	105	136	145	166	154	155
Wool Tons	" "	25.2	30.9	35.6	42.7	39.3	41.2
Yarn, Woollen and Worsted	" "	32.5	42.7	43.2	47.7	45.6	41.1
Zinc, Refined	'000 tons	69.8	100.5	103.9	106.6	115.1	114.7

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes waste beer. (c) Includes wool in admixture with other fibres. (d) Excludes copper refined from imported blister copper. (e) Other than Diesel type. (f) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor and aeroplane. (g) Includes all types of preserved apples. (h) Made in gas-works only. (i) Year ended 31st May. (j) Includes lead content of lead bullion produced for export. (k) Excludes canned rabbit and poultry. (l) Domestic. (m) Excludes stoves, cookers, etc. (n) Figures prior to 1948-49 not available on a comparable basis. (o) Includes sawn sleepers. (p) Includes preserved tomatoes.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION(a)—AUSTRALIA.

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

Industry.	1938-39. (b)	1952-53. (c)	1953-54. (d)	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION. (£'000.)							
Agriculture..	41,679	276,398	268,460	243,919	279,455	254,861	244,530
Pastoral(e) ..	63,820	493,745	491,716	461,464	446,780	597,681	447,247
Dairying ..	33,782	135,745	136,956	135,798	155,243	141,211	128,083
Poultry ..	7,302	35,213	34,782	29,787	30,185	28,402	27,326
Bee-farming(f) ..	123	1,066	1,426	1,398	1,751	2,254	1,566
Total Rural ..	146,706	942,167	933,340	872,366	913,414	1,024,409	848,752
Trapping(f) ..	1,422	5,595	5,074	4,961	6,047	6,013	6,027
Forestry(f) ..	7,811	40,064	41,720	44,047	50,059	52,099	51,306
Fishing and Whaling(f)	1,654	6,897	7,741	8,727	8,884	10,505	10,402
Mining and Quarrying	27,375	109,671	104,875	118,087	132,508	139,977	127,246
Total Non-Rural ..	38,262	162,227	159,410	175,822	197,498	208,595	194,981
Total All Primary ..	184,968	1,104,394	1,092,750	1,048,188	1,110,912	1,233,004	1,043,733
Factories ..	203,417	1,082,862	1,227,045	1,365,509	1,500,714	1,622,120	1,728,723
Total All Industries	388,385	2,187,256	2,319,795	2,413,697	2,611,626	2,855,124	2,772,456

NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agriculture ..	6 0 6	31 16 1	30 6 4	26 16 8	29 19 11	26 14 7	25 1 10
Pastoral(e) ..	9 4 7	56 16 2	55 10 7	50 15 4	47 19 2	62 13 8	45 17 10
Dairying ..	4 17 9	15 12 4	15 9 4	14 18 9	16 13 4	14 16 2	13 2 10
Poultry ..	1 1 1	4 1 1	3 18 7	3 5 6	3 4 10	2 19 7	2 16 1
Bee-farming(f) ..	0 0 4	0 2 5	0 3 2	0 3 1	0 3 9	0 4 9	0 3 2
Total Rural ..	21 4 3	108 8 1	105 8 0	95 19 4	98 1 0	107 8 9	87 1 9
Trapping(f) ..	0 4 1	0 12 11	0 11 6	0 10 11	0 13 0	0 12 7	0 12 4
Forestry(f) ..	1 2 7	4 12 2	4 14 3	4 16 11	5 7 5	5 9 3	5 5 3
Fishing and Whaling(f)	0 4 10	0 15 11	0 17 6	0 19 2	0 19 1	1 2 0	1 1 4
Mining and Quarrying	3 19 2	12 12 4	11 16 10	12 19 10	14 4 6	14 13 8	13 1 3
Total Non-Rural ..	5 10 8	18 13 4	18 0 1	19 6 10	21 4 0	21 17 6	20 0 2
Total All Primary ..	26 14 11	127 1 5	123 8 1	115 6 2	119 5 0	129 6 3	107 1 11
Factories ..	29 8 4	124 11 11	138 11 5	150 4 4	161 1 11	170 2 6	177 7 8
Total All Industries	56 3 3	251 13 4	261 19 6	265 10 6	280 6 11	299 8 9	284 9 7

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty, relief, etc.

(b) Excludes the Northern Territory and

the Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes the Northern Territory for Mining and Quarrying

only.

(d) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory for Mining and

Quarrying only.

(e) Distributions of profits from the 1939-45 War-time Wool Disposals Plan

have been excluded.

(f) Local value.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION, (a) 1957-58.

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

Industry.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION. (£'000.)							
Agriculture	44,754	64,971	62,898	32,318	27,338	12,050	244,530
Pastoral(c)	157,679	115,970	80,301	44,863	36,947	8,078	447,247
Dairying	44,941	46,153	18,725	7,834	3,436	6,841	128,083
Poultry	9,806	14,042	352	1,555	524	928	27,326
Bee-farming(d) ..	764	268	73	183	243	32	1,566
Total Rural	257,944	241,404	162,349	86,753	68,488	27,929	848,752
Trapping(d)	1,851	3,287	226	483	60	116	6,027
Forestry(d)	15,341	13,088	9,414	3,587	5,112	4,547	51,306
Fishing and Whaling(d)	2,792	1,104	1,542	1,074	3,226	508	10,402
Mining and Quarrying ..	66,091	9,888	18,810	9,320	14,889	5,897	127,246
Total Non-rural ..	86,075	27,367	29,992	14,464	23,287	11,068	194,931
Total All Primary ..	344,019	268,771	192,341	101,217	91,775	38,997	1,043,733
Factories	757,862	566,476	143,958	133,285	75,312	51,830	1,728,723
Total All Industries ..	1,101,881	835,247	336,299	234,502	167,087	90,827	2,772,456

NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION. (£ s. d.)

Agriculture	12 4 8	24 0 0	44 16 5	36 9 7	39 2 8	36 1 4	25 1 10
Pastoral(c)	43 2 1	42 16 9	57 4 6	50 12 9	52 17 10	24 3 7	45 17 10
Dairying	12 5 8	17 0 11	13 6 11	8 16 10	4 18 5	20 9 6	13 2 10
Poultry	2 13 7	5 3 9	0 5 0	1 15 1	0 15 0	2 15 7	2 16 1
Bee-farming(d) ..	0 4 2	0 2 0	0 1 0	0 4 1	0 6 11	0 1 11	0 3 2
Total Rural	70 10 2	89 3 5	115 13 10	97 18 4	98 0 10	83 11 11	87 1 9
Trapping(d)	0 10 2	1 4 3	0 3 3	0 10 11	0 1 9	0 6 11	0 12 4
Forestry(d)	4 3 10	4 16 8	6 14 2	4 0 11	7 6 4	13 12 2	5 5 3
Fishing and Whaling(d)	0 15 3	0 8 2	1 2 0	1 4 3	4 12 4	1 10 5	1 1 4
Mining and Quarrying ..	18 1 4	3 13 1	13 8 1	10 10 5	21 6 4	17 13 0	13 1 3
Total Non-Rural ..	23 10 7	10 2 2	21 7 6	16 6 6	33 6 9	33 2 6	20 0 2
Total All Primary ..	94 0 9	99 5 7	137 1 4	114 4 10	131 7 7	116 14 5	107 1 11
Factories	207 3 3	209 5 0	102 11 9	150 8 10	107 16 3	155 2 7	177 7 8
Total All Industries ..	301 4 0	308 10 7	239 13 1	264 13 8	239 3 10	271 17 0	284 9 7

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty, relief, etc.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Distributions of profits from the War-time Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded.

(d) Local value.

INDEXES OF QUANTUM (a) OF FARM PRODUCTION.

(Base : Average 1936-37 to 1938-39=100.)

Year.	Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1952-53	121	126	108	121	131	118
1953-54	129	123	107	122	128	120
1954-55	120	127	117	123	132	120
1955-56	134	136	120	131	146	127
1956-57	120	148	117	131	164	121
1957-58	109	142	114	124	148	116
1958-59(b)	163	159	119	149	164	145

(a) Indexes of value at constant prices, i.e. quantities revalued at average unit values of base years (1936-37 to 1938-39).

(b) Subject to revision.

SECTION III.—BUILDING.

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED, SIX MONTHS ENDED
31st Dec., 1959.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Material of Outer Walls.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T. (a)	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	3,053	5,804	546	3,841	2,040	411	43	570	16,308
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	4,620	5,356	3,084	49	11	783	1	33	13,937
Fibro Cement ..	7,150	1,036	936	660	1,003	42	125	3	10,955
Other ..	16	163	54	14	2	..	1	..	250
Total ..	14,839	12,359	4,620	4,564	3,056	1,236	170	606	41,450

(a) Includes flats.

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T. (a)	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.									
1954-55 ..	24,348	22,674	7,784	7,190	8,575	2,867	249	640	74,327
1955-56 ..	23,506	21,245	7,173	8,377	6,336	2,490	341	499	69,967
1956-57 ..	23,477	19,649	7,572	6,832	5,565	2,591	251	509	66,446
1957-58 ..	24,177	21,933	7,050	6,951	5,328	2,378	311	1,139	69,267
1958-59 ..	26,631	22,443	8,000	8,125	5,242	2,563	334	1,165	74,503
Six months ended—									
December, 1958..	13,212	11,517	3,883	3,811	2,561	1,263	147	568	36,962
December, 1959..	13,765	11,436	4,431	4,351	2,788	1,178	208	725	38,882

COMPLETED.

1954-55 ..	28,882	23,839	7,925	7,323	8,792	2,480	199	398	79,838
1955-56 ..	26,369	22,652	7,396	7,721	7,760	2,721	312	605	75,536
1956-57 ..	22,267	20,185	7,217	7,193	5,030	2,759	328	561	65,540
1957-58 ..	25,114	21,367	7,357	7,606	6,196	2,566	275	698	71,179
1958-59 ..	28,095	24,329	8,206	8,143	5,846	2,577	356	1,245	78,797
Six months ended—									
December, 1958..	14,253	12,691	4,090	4,079	3,040	1,140	181	663	40,137
December, 1959..	14,839	12,359	4,620	4,564	3,056	1,236	170	606	41,450

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1954-55 ..	20,136	19,827	3,329	5,602	5,715	2,536	211	691	58,047
1955-56 ..	17,273	18,399	3,106	6,252	4,284	2,305	240	585	52,444
1956-57 ..	18,483	17,863	3,461	5,854	4,819	2,137	163	533	53,313
1957-58 ..	17,546	18,429	3,154	5,199	3,951	1,949	199	974	51,401
1958-59 ..	16,082	16,543	2,948	5,181	3,347	1,935	177	894	47,107
Six months ended—									
December, 1958..	16,505	17,255	2,947	4,931	3,472	2,072	165	879	48,226
December, 1959..	15,008	15,620	2,759	4,968	3,079	1,877	215	1,013	44,539

(a) Includes flats.

NUMBER OF NEW FLATS COMPLETED.(a)

(INDIVIDUAL FLATS.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1954-55 ..	701	781	309	105	316	43	(b)	12	2,272
1955-56 ..	776	1,273	200	86	584	49	(b)	..	2,968

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED, SIX MONTHS ENDED
31st Dec., 1959.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Type of Building.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses ..	45,837	41,662	13,365	14,892	8,994	3,813	726	3,143	132,432
Flats ..	3,966	2,512	953	724	331	115	(a)	1,252	9,853
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc. ..	2,130	891	327	323	327	(b)	(b)	(b)	4,242
Shops ..	3,401	2,611	778	532	242	(b)	59	(b)	7,876
Factories ..	8,903	11,107	1,204	1,425	570	279	28	76	23,592
Business Premises—									
Office ..	2,967	2,907	1,129	326	366	514	..	4,974	13,183
Other ..	4,856	4,698	1,943	1,656	2,110	(b)	(b)	(b)	16,048
Educational ..	5,655	2,092	1,590	1,751	1,548		(b)	(b)	13,133
Religious ..	1,122	1,672	637	273	110		..	(b)	3,043
Health ..	1,512	1,942	2,289	702	524	762			7,276
Entertainment and Recreation ..	2,757	839	533	321	222		225	526	4,774
Miscellaneous ..	1,951	2,842	1,208	594	297	444			7,852
Total ..	85,057	75,775	25,956	23,519	15,641	6,901	1,230	10,125	244,204

(a) Included with houses.

(b) Not available for publication.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1954-55 ..	121,351	102,693	32,073	29,946	35,458	10,836	1,605	5,932	339,894
1955-56 ..	133,257	121,416	35,024	43,202	26,972	9,889	2,300	4,708	376,768
1956-57 ..	135,798	109,334	37,841	31,888	22,241	14,138	1,765	5,959	358,964
1957-58 ..	137,189	122,133	37,128	35,659	25,065	12,733	2,259	8,588	380,754
1958-59 ..	161,731	131,607	42,829	42,738	26,256	14,409	2,237	10,104	431,911
Six months ended—									
December, 1958..	78,220	63,895	18,485	21,002	13,415	6,855	1,061	4,422	207,355
December, 1959..	94,498	72,756	23,831	25,463	14,120	9,180	1,674	7,782	249,304

COMMENCED.

1954-55 ..	110,694	98,932	28,318	27,081	34,096	10,649	1,653	2,943	314,366
1955-56 ..	124,138	111,594	30,519	33,717	33,678	12,798	1,935	4,287	352,666
1956-57 ..	133,094	114,830	35,383	33,997	23,424	12,609	2,285	5,940	361,562
1957-58 ..	169,240	131,756	38,043	38,047	27,262	12,840	2,110	5,841	425,139
1958-59 ..	150,841	137,437	45,000	44,394	30,262	13,450	2,588	10,999	443,971
Six months ended—									
December, 1958..	82,635	70,604	23,410	23,787	17,527	6,223	1,290	5,909	231,385
December, 1959..	85,057	75,775	25,956	23,519	15,641	6,901	1,230	10,125	244,204

COMPLETED.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1954-55 ..	117,498	112,055	23,446	26,854	29,102	12,399	1,573	10,643	333,570
1955-56 ..	132,693	123,525	28,210	36,996	25,550	9,864	1,967	11,240	375,045
1956-57 ..	138,792	127,943	31,332	36,792	26,217	12,085	1,555	11,520	386,236
1957-58 ..	113,548	122,750	30,968	35,337	24,587	11,946	1,745	14,589	355,470
1958-59 ..	119,473	120,179	29,709	34,104	21,255	13,053	1,721	13,929	353,453
Six months ended—									
December, 1958..	112,353	118,135	26,910	32,823	20,754	12,651	1,830	13,304	338,760
December, 1959..	130,264	118,110	27,782	36,460	20,003	15,455	2,193	12,372	362,639

SECTION IV.—OVERSEA TRADE.

OVERSEA TRADE—STATES.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

State or Territory.				1938-39.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.
IMPORTS.								
New South Wales	..	..	..	53,088	836,976	814,383	352,653	352,712
Victoria	..	..	..	40,463	299,340	254,946	282,713	291,297
Queensland	..	..	..	9,070	61,738	48,884	49,498	47,737
South Australia	..	..	..	6,670	62,752	45,407	47,102	45,346
Western Australia	..	..	..	6,137	46,482	40,212	45,888	44,986
Tasmania	..	..	..	1,292	12,641	14,117	12,944	13,394
Northern Territory	..	..	..	34	1,155	1,004	1,089	1,059
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	4	38	53	68
Australia	..	..	..	116,754	821,088	718,991	791,940	796,599
EXPORTS. (a)								
New South Wales	..	..	..	45,003	225,650	292,432	230,532	221,372
Victoria	..	..	..	30,819	299,396	255,752	218,373	219,551
Queensland	..	..	..	23,652	152,145	190,334	156,493	169,998
South Australia	..	..	..	14,841	97,666	122,924	99,882	90,915
Western Australia	..	..	..	17,070	76,143	108,299	89,758	87,292
Tasmania	..	..	..	3,198	20,305	22,503	22,253	21,974
Northern Territory	..	..	..	13	559	612	655	361
Australia	..	..	..	140,496	781,864	992,906	817,946	811,463

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

OVERSEA TRADE—AUSTRALIA.

(f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports. (a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.
	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£A'000	£	£	£	£	£
1938-39	257,250	116,754	135,476	5,020	140,496	37.1	16.8	19.6	0.7	20.3
1953-54	1,509,941	681,609	820,057	8,275	828,332	169.6	76.6	92.1	0.9	93.0
1954-55	1,617,906	843,742	765,883	8,281	774,164	178.0	92.8	84.3	0.9	85.2
1955-56	1,602,952	821,088	768,090	13,774	781,864	172.0	88.1	82.4	1.5	83.9
1956-57	1,711,897	718,991	979,244	13,662	992,906	179.6	75.4	102.8	1.4	104.2
1957-58	1,609,886	791,940	803,153	14,793	817,946	165.2	81.3	82.4	1.5	83.9
1958-59	1,608,062	796,599	794,831	16,632	811,463	161.6	80.0	79.9	1.7	81.6
Six months ended—										
Dec. 1958	781,619	398,415	374,139	9,065	383,204	79.0	40.3	37.8	0.9	38.7
Dec. 1959 (b)	903,459	431,561	462,053	9,845	471,898	89.4	42.7	45.7	1.0	46.7

(a) Excludes the value of stores loaded in Australian ports on board overseas ships and aircraft. The values of ships and aircraft stores in £A'000 were: 1938-39, £2,106; 1953-54, £10,266; 1954-55, £13,181; 1955-56, £13,539; 1956-57, £14,208; 1957-58, £12,798 and 1958-59, £10,884.

(b) Preliminary.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-).		
	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
1938-39	113,217	3,537	116,754	121,533	18,963	140,496	+8,316	+15,426	+23,742
1953-54	678,590	3,019	681,609	811,866	16,466	828,332	+133,276	+13,447	+146,723
1954-55	840,972	2,770	843,742	758,041	16,123	774,164	-82,931	+13,353	-69,578
1955-56	818,293	2,795	821,088	770,837	11,027	781,864	-47,456	+8,232	-39,224
1956-57	716,682	2,309	718,991	972,998	19,908	992,906	+256,316	+17,599	+273,915
1957-58	789,261	2,679	791,940	810,302	7,644	817,946	+81,011	+4,965	+26,066
1958-59 (a)	794,388	2,211	796,599	806,706	4,757	811,463	+12,318	+2,546	+14,864
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1958	397,091	1,324	398,415	380,190	3,014	383,204	-16,901	+1,690	-15,211
Dec. 1959 (a)	430,274	1,287	431,561	470,303	1,595	471,898	+40,029	+308	+40,337

(a) Preliminary.

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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OVERSEA TRADE.

Statistical Class.	United Kingdom.	Australian Territories.	Borneo (British).	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	South Africa, Union of.	Arabian States.	Belgium-Luxemburg.	Czechoslovakia.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 1959.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	828	..	..	272	..	2	..	650	585	..	..	4
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	335	1,146	108	..	4,928	1,039	96	23	15	10	4	2
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	2,121	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
4. Tobacco ..	243	..	..	11	..	3	..	..	141	..	10	..
5. Live animals, incl. birds ..	31	..	1	..	..	..	10	108	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances, not foodstuffs ..	473	20	..	7	1	413	..	793	50	1	..	..
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres ..	886	1,285	1	21	133	416	71	360	173	..	66	1
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	16,964	..	..	129	5	6,572	..	32	13	..	1,029	617
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	963	51	5,910	..	..	936	..	22	355	16,660	10	..
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	1,947	..	..	44	..	1	..	..	2	..	5	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	890	..	..	990	11	84	..	12	647	..	9	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	81,801	24	..	5,302	..	5	724	188	912	..	573	156
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,450	734	3	450	61	21	6,025	33	8	..	6	1
14. Wood and wicker ..	168	697	1,149	1,197	..	3	808	1,097	..	..	1	11
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	3,866	..	..	42	..	1	..	1	..	..	897	188
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	9,991	2	..	3,423	..	37	..	4,065	1	1	131	80
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time-pieces ..	1,657	..	..	6	22	43	..	1	308	..	164	71
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	2,826	11	..	59	..	1	1	4	3	..	62	16
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc. ..	9,717	1,664	..	845	7	3	6	38	192	..	97	7
20. Miscellaneous ..	15,107	254	4	409	122	94	484	306	254	5	219	84
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	1	436	..	..	..	..	..	293	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1959	151,765	6,324	7,176	12,726	5,290	9,674	8,225	8,031	3,659	16,677	3,283	1,239
December, 1958	156,886	5,529	6,419	12,006	5,455	11,537	5,458	6,391	2,579	14,572	3,059	1,171
Year 1958-59	307,437	11,067	13,000	23,173	10,457	21,005	11,482	12,479	5,290	29,467	6,731	2,210
„ 1957-58	325,007	8,798	13,222	23,046	8,772	23,416	10,708	12,764	6,294	29,289	6,543	2,617
„ 1956-57	296,251	8,455	15,224	22,157	9,863	24,509	10,875	11,979	3,635	23,449	7,462	2,442
„ 1955-56	355,912	8,099	9,801	23,306	8,632	23,469	16,230	8,531	4,001	23,607	11,579	2,728
„ 1954-55	378,669	6,943	15,521	23,840	19,516	26,057	12,797	8,042	4,349	27,851	12,234	2,331
„ 1938-39	46,094	3,086	215	8,806	957	3,272	1,029	2,087	291	756	1,122	572

(a) Preliminary.

Imports into Australia of the Produce or Manufacture of the Undermentioned Countries—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Statistical Class.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia.	Iran.	Italy,	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Sweden.	Switzer- land.	United States of America.	Other Countries.	Total All Countries.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	5	112	..	..	95	676	66	4	29	357	943	4,628
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	37	31	1,072	..	253	100	527	7	28	13	2,407	12,186
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	111	9	..	..	18	1	8	..	..	7	56	2,351
4. Tobacco ..	1	5	..	..	..	..	195	..	1	4,575	2,799	7,984
5. Live animals, incl. Birds ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	158
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	14	8	18	2	15	7	1	11	..	17	614	2,465
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres ..	44	200	302	10	63	65	99	46	16	2,583	3,251	10,092
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	986	1,955	4	3	1,549	11,099	1,218	34	1,438	1,338	5,629	50,614
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	181	147	14,753	6,665	162	92	65	18	4	2,888	3,776	53,608
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	26	305	..	..	21	99	44	..	404	535	59	3,492
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	9	29	36	..	66	2	23	29	..	956	567	3,860
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	2,835	13,114	..	..	1,845	1,523	6,391	2,768	1,516	36,060	1,895	157,132
13. Rubber and leather and manu- factures thereof ..	164	85	..	..	153	54	3	13	6	2,493	104	11,867
14. Wood and wicker ..	19	43	21	..	23	148	13	165	6	2,128	741	8,438
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	300	412	..	..	84	1,026	23	73	8	540	332	7,793
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures and stationery ..	126	481	..	..	181	297	426	2,978	30	1,984	2,735	26,969
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	83	733	1	..	89	1,294	37	8	901	78	479	5,975
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	50	1,471	..	..	153	919	137	23	166	1,430	207	7,539
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	618	2,937	..	..	233	474	493	147	1,244	3,473	1,105	22,800
20. Miscellaneous ..	395	2,636	118	1	411	1,165	564	387	242	4,408	2,654	30,323
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	557	1,287
Six months ended—												
December, 1959 ..	5,954	24,713	16,325	6,681	5,414	19,041	10,333	6,711	6,039	65,864	30,417	431,561
December, 1958 ..	5,345	20,434	16,928	9,257	4,817	14,707	5,555	6,102	5,481	52,491	26,236	398,415
Year 1958-59 ..	11,724	42,954	31,475	20,666	9,720	29,949	12,978	12,229	10,383	108,503	52,220	796,599
" 1957-58 ..	10,333	41,516	23,089	18,887	10,768	23,315	11,073	11,700	10,176	104,464	50,643	791,940
" 1956-57 ..	9,297	31,079	26,356	17,804	9,112	12,884	10,555	11,510	8,219	95,547	50,327	718,991
" 1955-56 ..	15,626	34,998	22,401	22,819	11,821	22,592	13,233	12,048	10,596	98,797	55,262	821,088
" 1954-55 ..	14,689	30,838	22,529	5,984	11,740	18,422	13,081	13,516	10,582	102,167	62,094	843,742
" 1938-39 ..	1,172	(b) 4,710	(c) 8,117	956	781	4,666	799	1,079	1,072	16,699	6,106	(d) 116,754

(a) Preliminary.

(b) Pre-war Germany.

(c) Pre-war Netherlands East Indies.

(d) Includes outside packages not distributed according to countries.

EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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OVERSEA TRADE.

Statistical Class.	United Kingdom.	Australian Territories.	Canada.	Ceylon.	Hong Kong.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	South Africa, Union of.	Belgium-Luxemburg.	Czechoslovakia.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	39,915	1,153	1,475	930	680	291	2,134	75	1,546	297	370	..
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	22,918	1,183	5,053	2,661	1,810	2,317	2,430	5,636	1,076	304	219	..
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	383	201	193	3	9	4	97	78	26	1	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	..	115	..	1	3	1	3	2	4	..	..	..
5. Live animals, incl. Birds ..	9	25	..	1	197	..	40	72	261	1	1	..
6. Animal substances, not food-stuffs ..	44,962	12	696	2	740	1,031	1	336	1	595	11,174	4,324
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres ..	118	4	1	1	..	11	..	72	..	6	4	..
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	297	218	13	2	11	4	4	390	7	8	1	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	718	209	17	275	31	141	350	3,614	1,719	1,275	2	..
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	3	112	..	1	8	5	8	192	16	1	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	2,949	31	2	..	17	7	37	259	6	1	704	23
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	7,000	1,624	203	214	460	1,502	570	10,507	347	794	864	3
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	2,030	134	12	24	280	7	85	221	28	87	1	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	613	93	9	8	19	617	3	649	7	61	5	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	13	126	..	..	1	1	10	209	1	..	..	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	179	142	1	18	22	2	24	1,047	25	21	..	..
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time-pieces ..	105	20	6	8	5	1	3	64	7	37	4	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	277	67	1	2	4	3	2	503	4	37	1	1
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	241	309	24	34	37	31	170	1,244	96	54	13	..
20. Miscellaneous ..	727	3,699	70	17	162	151	326	1,397	832	130	5	3
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie	44	53	..	..	738	..	..	54	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1959 ..	123,501	9,530	7,776	4,202	5,234	6,127	6,297	26,621	5,999	3,710	13,368	4,354
December, 1958 ..	129,084	8,464	7,860	2,728	6,211	5,740	7,364	28,561	4,670	2,034	10,974	2,333
Year 1958-59 ..	256,935	16,698	16,460	5,899	11,899	10,080	13,167	49,645	9,855	5,761	23,571	5,598
" 1957-58 ..	221,421	16,661	14,133	5,939	12,575	11,689	11,420	55,455	12,548	5,136	23,111	6,756
" 1956-57 ..	277,476	16,589	10,681	10,582	23,432	23,580	9,083	51,002	14,129	2,734	35,039	7,558
" 1955-56 ..	257,414	15,558	10,911	8,687	14,053	12,159	9,337	40,923	12,100	2,438	26,173	4,775
" 1954-55 ..	285,506	13,222	10,503	8,723	17,315	19,423	8,410	37,794	11,600	2,869	31,252	5,078
" 1938-39 ..	68,716	1,176	1,994	1,327	475	1,965	1,911	6,632	(b)	813	5,547	378

(a) Preliminary.

(b) Included with Federation of Malaya.

Exports from Australia to the Undermentioned Countries—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Statistical Class.	China. (Mainland)	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Poland.	Sweden.	United States of America.	Other Countries.	Total All Countries.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	2	1,031	755	92	1,195	242	272	..	6	21,778	7,807	82,046
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ; non-alcoholic beverages ..	12	33	4,248	811	1,086	9,937	1,253	..	19	309	15,068	78,383
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	5	196	1,198
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	27	157
5. Live animals, incl. Birds ..	..	..	1	..	..	57	6	..	..	267	144	1,072
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	5,771	31,306	12,019	..	18,382	46,151	818	6,223	439	8,328	16,059	209,370
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures ; and synthetic fibres ..	..	3	92	7	1	12	16	..	..	268	61	677
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	23	5	9	1	186	155	8	8	1	170	125	1,646
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	31	1	538	8	220	449	105	..	1	58	1,450	11,212
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	..	4	17	1	4	..	..	..	18	134	524
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	112	244	191	1	180	4,773	381	18	33	4,235	788	14,992
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	1,555	102	777	636	135	2,747	136	..	53	6,799	6,778	43,806
13. Rubber and leather and manu- factures thereof ..	27	2	9	2	7	12	5	..	23	148	170	3,314
14. Wood and wicker ..	..	1	23	1	2	28	23	..	..	67	313	2,542
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	..	..	13	..	..	10	..	..	1	76	65	526
16. Pulp, paper, paper manu- factures and stationery ..	..	2	10	12	5	..	..	..	..	60	114	1,684
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	4	2	100	..	1	239	9	..	..	62	34	711
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	..	1	14	3	..	4	7	..	..	232	69	1,232
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	37	3	5	43	1	319	18	..	11	481	473	3,644
20. Miscellaneous ..	4	33	42	42	117	278	97	..	48	916	2,471	11,567
21. Gold and silver ; bronze specie	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	704	1,595
Six months ended—												
December, 1959 ..	7,578	32,769	18,850	1,677	21,519	65,418	3,154	6,249	635	44,280	53,050	471,898
December, 1958 ..	7,847	22,275	11,481	626	12,826	46,539	2,475	4,899	798	20,901	36,514	383,204
Year 1958-59 ..	13,567	46,662	28,905	2,137	32,244	102,311	8,468	11,118	2,677	60,731	77,075	811,463
" 1957-58 ..	9,768	69,841	33,128	4,051	46,344	102,717	5,622	14,257	4,014	45,417	80,893	817,946
" 1956-57 ..	6,438	91,974	46,948	6,820	52,953	138,877	5,547	12,553	2,440	66,111	75,305	992,906
" 1955-56 ..	2,701	67,314	36,431	6,705	34,621	86,490	6,192	8,253	3,483	55,004	60,137	781,864
" 1954-55 ..	2,705	64,056	31,823	3,702	35,915	58,572	6,857	6,243	3,243	52,440	56,908	774,164
" 1938-39 ..	3,023	9,386	(b) 2,652	(c) 1,380	1,211	4,865	1,039	426	637	19,562	5,331	140,496

(a) Preliminary.

(b) Pre-war Germany.

(c) Pre-war Netherlands East Indies.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.
(£A'000.)

Statistical Class and Excise Division or Item.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
GROSS CUSTOMS.				
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin	97	114	172	215
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin	328	355	750	785
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	953	1,611	1,847	2,727
4. Tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff	3,229	3,528	6,617	6,664
5. Live animals, incl. Birds .. .. .	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs	2	2	4	3
7. Vegetable substances and fibres	55	77	116	139
8a. Yarns and manufactured fibres	123	134	260	257
8b. Textiles	1,654	1,994	3,653	3,952
8c. Apparel	447	625	1,062	1,252
9. Oils, fats and waxes	2,691	2,382	4,740	4,991
10. Pigments, paints and varnishes	51	60	95	111
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons	12	21	22	30
12a. Metals and metal manufactures	2,691	2,702	5,490	5,326
12b. Dynamo electrical machinery and electrical appliances, etc.	898	966	2,001	1,934
12c. Machines and machinery (except dynamo electrical)	1,882	2,303	3,679	4,191
13a. Rubber and rubber manufactures	88	116	412	215
13b. Leather and leather manufactures	31	42	62	76
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured	351	363	719	756
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware	496	552	1,089	1,087
16a. Pulp, paper and board	141	159	269	296
16b. Paper manufactures and stationery	137	176	277	318
17. Sporting material, toys, jewellery and timepieces	701	852	1,523	1,677
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments, etc.	310	381	609	729
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	350	486	727	914
20. Miscellaneous goods (including passengers' personal effects, dutiable baggage, post office collections and ships' stores)	706	770	1,311	1,497
Sundry undistributed duties	15	44	94	97
Duties under Industries Preservation Act	2	1	4	2
Other Miscellaneous Customs receipts	79	82	153	153
Total Customs	18,520	20,898	37,757	40,394
Primage	585	515	1,192	1,053
Total Gross Customs Revenue	19,105	21,413	38,949	41,447
GROSS EXCISE.				
Beer	32,183	32,839	54,983	56,801
Spirits	2,178	2,182	4,678	4,500
Tobacco	4,065	3,806	8,030	7,581
Cigars and cigarettes	14,924	16,536	28,454	30,831
Petrol, etc.	12,247	13,512	28,831	25,688
Playing cards	13	15	26	29
Cigarette papers and tubes	218	206	426	406
Matches	290	288	563	578
Coal	151	102	307	256
Other Excise	577	1,035	1,627	2,171
Total Gross Excise Revenue	66,846	70,521	122,930	128,851
Total Gross Customs and Excise Revenue	85,951	91,934	161,879	170,298
Refunds and Drawback paid	1,344	1,032	2,760	2,376
Total Net Customs and Excise Revenue	84,607	90,902	159,119	167,922

4. VALUE OF COMMODITIES IMPORTED AND EXPORTED DURING THE
DECEMBER QUARTER OF 1958 AND 1959 AND THE SIX MONTHS ENDED
DECEMBER, 1958 AND 1959.

AUSTRALIA.

TOTAL IMPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Cheese	117	129	202	243
Fish—				
Fresh or preserved by cold process ..	628	744	1,206	1,533
Preserved in airtight containers ..	845	956	1,440	1,611
Other	176	212	302	417
Lactose	59	59	107	157
Meats—				
Sausage casings, natural	183	192	359	385
Other	39	72	54	133
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	71	85	124	149
Total, Class I.	2,118	2,449	3,794	4,628
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN ; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Cocoa butter	179	267	454	671
Cocoa, beans, mass, paste or slab ..	278	325	647	791
Coffee and chicory	737	819	1,379	1,570
Confectionery, including cocoa and chocolate	71	96	131	177
Fruit, dried, dates	2	2	2	3
Grain and Pulse	62	105	390	223
Hops	61	..	61	..
Nuts, edible	335	358	860	903
Pectin	10	16	23	30
Pickles and sauces	40	45	71	83
Spices	183	206	353	375
Sugar and sugar syrups	143	130	263	230
Tea	3,269	2,900	8,262	6,585
Vegetables, fresh or frozen	10	6	42	29
Vegetables, preserved in airtight containers	43	39	68	64
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin ..	200	238	397	452
Total, Class II.	5,623	5,552	13,403	12,186
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale and other beer, porter, cider and perry	9	7	16	13
Spirits (beverages)—				
Whisky	483	1,461	936	2,053
Other	97	140	195	223
Wine, fermented	37	38	64	62
Total, Class III.	626	1,646	1,211	2,351

Total Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigarettes	109	254	194	323
Cigars	57	91	130	199
Snuff	1	..	1	..
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	60	93	103	173
Unmanufactured	5,209	4,815	7,750	7,289
Total, Class IV.	5,436	5,253	8,178	7,984
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS, INCL. BIRDS. ..	50	51	237	158
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Coarse hair and fibre	300	202	466	470
Hides and skins—				
Calf and cattle	9	15	28	36
Furred skins	92	158	194	251
Goat	72	89	118	186
Other	13	15	28	22
Shells	21	4	28	6
Wool	460	613	819	1,249
Other animal substances	75	119	166	245
Total, Class VI.	1,042	1,215	1,847	2,465
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND MAN-MADE FIBRES.				
Copra	699	684	1,265	1,475
Cork and manufactures	128	155	259	291
Fibres—				
Coir	48	59	115	114
Cotton, raw	1,874	1,492	3,312	2,773
Flax, hemp and ramie	30	69	71	123
Jute	132	202	228	283
Kapok	30	26	82	55
Sisal	541	702	1,043	1,110
Man-made fibres and filaments	1,043	1,061	2,013	1,928
Other	36	59	85	108
Gums and resins	297	460	713	838
Seeds—				
Gardening, agricultural and horticultural	285	401	517	595
Oil seeds and nuts (excluding copra)	41	31	76	50
Tanning substances	96	92	208	200
Other vegetable substances	68	77	142	149
Total, Class VII.	5,348	5,570	10,129	10,092

Total Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.				
<i>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Bags and sacks—				
Corn and flour	3,312	1,943	3,968	3,428
Woolpacks	217	315	643	950
Other	99	112	191	209
Cordage and twines and manufac- tures thereof	81	130	187	334
Sewing and other silk, cotton, etc.	470	534	997	981
Yarns—				
Cotton	831	784	1,566	1,394
Hair	54	21	80	39
Man-made fibre	1,243	1,681	3,336	3,180
Wool or chiefly of wool	24	85	54	164
Other	37	93	67	131
Waste materials and scrap textile articles	5	10	10	23
Total, Class VIII.(a)	6,373	5,708	11,099	10,833
<i>(b) Textiles—</i>				
Blankets and blanketing	44	49	85	92
Floor coverings	1,700	1,915	3,528	3,390
Articles of furnishing, drapery and napery—				
Handkerchiefs, serviettes and tablecloths	319	311	851	816
Other	144	214	332	381
Piece-goods—				
Canvas and duck, not impregnated	219	233	485	503
Cotton and linen, not impregnated	8,246	8,911	19,084	19,858
Fabrics and felts, impregnated ..	255	270	489	482
Jute, including hessians and brattice cloth	848	732	1,458	1,289
Man-made fibre	1,254	1,576	3,152	3,261
Silk	302	427	634	783
Velvets, velveteens, etc.	394	558	565	792
Wool or chiefly of wool	343	446	579	685
Felt	165	222	339	371
Other	403	540	831	1,148
Towels and towelling	310	375	697	714
Other textiles	160	196	351	389
Total, Class VIII.(b)	15,106	16,975	33,460	34,954
<i>(c) Apparel—</i>				
Buttons, including snap fasteners ..	92	100	186	208
Footwear	199	148	504	362
Garments—				
Knitted—				
Hosiery	85	143	163	211
Outerwear	93	72	179	148
Underwear	8	6	21	19
Other	10	13	21	22

Total Imports—continued.
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—continued.				
<i>(c) Apparel—continued.</i>				
Garments—continued.				
Not knitted—				
Outerwear (including blouses)	181	193	336	359
Sleeping wear, underwear, shirts and other sewn garments	42	66	152	200
Gloves	181	204	537	487
Hats and caps	144	199	376	408
Trimmings and ornaments—				
Embroidery in the piece	103	138	310	316
Lace, nets and veilings	290	329	771	723
Ribbons and galloons	58	57	111	121
Other	243	418	523	787
Other apparel	166	234	354	456
Total, Class VIII.(c)	1,895	2,320	4,544	4,827
Total, Class VIII.	23,374	25,003	49,103	50,614
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats, greases and waxes	313	386	732	825
Oils—				
Castor	17	58	62	160
Linseed	442	164	744	559
Olive	164	291	368	468
Peanut	232	214	457	403
Petroleum—				
Crude	17,189	20,224	35,155	36,337
Kerosene (including aviation turbine fuel)	1,182	1,394	2,541	3,182
Lubricating (mineral)	1,105	1,766	2,858	3,196
Residual and solar	287	182	420	558
Spirit	3,828	2,822	6,106	6,170
Turpentine substitutes	382	217	624	437
Other	162	194	364	374
Tung	48	58	115	110
Other	583	530	929	829
Total, Class IX.	25,934	28,500	51,475	53,608
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Colour pigments—				
Black	356	353	839	816
Titanium oxide and titanium white	285	296	521	416
Other	184	219	343	402
Dyes, natural and synthetic, including lakes				
Paints, colours and varnishes	95	105	229	198
Total, Class X.	1,576	1,847	3,227	3,492

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.				
Abrasives (natural)	116	179	227	335
Asbestos	673	704	1,556	1,429
Sulphur	282	367	915	882
Other rocks, minerals, etc. .. .	630	646	1,134	1,214
Total, Class XI. .. .	1,701	1,896	3,832	3,860
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Aluminium and aluminium-base alloys (excluding wire and cable)	1,620	1,774	2,426	2,892
Bolts, nuts, rivets and washers ..	123	94	222	184
Chain and chains of base metal ..	168	233	358	395
Copper and copper-base alloys (excluding wire and cable)—				
Pigs, ingots and blocks ..	57	130	97	479
Other	291	233	505	479
Cutlery	525	511	1,130	993
Fencing posts and droppers ..	..	..	..	..
Heating and cooking appliances ..	238	250	445	485
Iron and steel (including special ferro-alloys)—				
Bars, rods, hoop, ingot, etc. ..	1,192	1,045	2,526	2,188
Ferro-alloys (mainly in ingot form)	323	403	782	1,129
Pig, scrap and powder ..	9	34	9	75
Pipes, tubes and fittings therefor	439	484	876	888
Plate and sheet—				
Galvanized	43	151	91	265
Plain	1,021	619	1,939	1,406
Tinned, plated, polished and decorated	2,087	835	4,133	1,697
Structural	254	253	415	355
Kitchenware	105	124	196	222
Lamps and lampware	195	217	365	390
Leaf and foil	425	508	818	927
Meters and parts	255	273	573	539
Pins, hooks, eyes, needles and slide fasteners	68	77	131	160
Tin (ingots, etc., basic shapes, scrap)	282	329	501	724
Tools of trade	906	935	1,825	1,828
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and parts	1,880	5,603	4,781	11,348
Cycles and cycle parts	152	156	332	298
Motor cycles, side-cars, etc. ..	365	295	645	578
Motor vehicles (excl. fire engines and fork lift trucks)—				
Complete	1,162	1,029	2,219	1,920
Bodies, chassis and parts ..	15,519	15,614	31,955	31,622
Railway and tramway vehicles (including trolley buses) and parts	31	45	56	64
Other and parts	610	574	1,170	1,164

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.				
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—continued.</i>				
Wire, single strand—				
Iron and steel	146	164	331	317
Copper and copper-base alloys ..	37	29	61	47
Other	124	113	254	214
Wire manufactures—*				
Iron and steel	174	200	317	358
Other	13	9	51	18
Other metals and semi-manufactures†	448	544	818	975
Other metal manufactures ..	2,468	2,648	4,991	5,065
Total, Class XII.(a)	33,755	36,535	68,344	72,688
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and accumulators ..	104	97	218	181
Cable and wire, covered ..	141	164	423	307
Communication equipment, including radio and television ..	2,378	3,117	5,062	5,858
Dynamo electric machines—				
Electric motors	816	925	1,541	1,760
Other	415	766	1,138	1,604
Hearing aids	79	118	152	213
Heating and cooking appliances ..	210	139	427	273
Ignition equipment for internal combustion engines	50	91	94	146
Lamps, bulbs, tubes, etc. ..	453	438	949	839
Measuring and recording instruments	212	328	403	680
Protective equipment	244	302	428	602
Regulating, starting and controlling apparatus	1,329	1,459	2,635	2,654
Transformers and rectifiers ..	891	1,276	1,690	2,136
Other electrical machinery and appliances	1,264	1,910	2,453	3,780
Total, Class XII.(b)	8,586	11,130	17,613	21,033
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Air and gas compressors ..	537	463	914	928
Agricultural, horticultural, etc., machinery—				
Harvesting	666	822	1,382	1,966
Other	274	255	599	496
Cranes, hoists and other lifting machinery	196	583	381	852
Dairying machinery	142	109	314	275
Hand tools (power driven) ..	311	399	638	749

* For cable and wire, covered, see Class XII.(b).
 in the rough and pipes and tubes, flexible or metal-cased.

† Includes all basic shapes, castings and forgings

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
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CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.				
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)</i> —continued.				
Household machines (except sewing and refrigerating)—				
Vacuum cleaners ..	88	184	164	302
Other	356	220	614	502
Metal-working machinery—				
Machine tools ..	1,565	1,794	3,091	3,242
Other	1,092	1,202	2,527	2,274
Motive power machinery—				
Aircraft engines and parts ..	1,410	2,065	2,404	4,600
Power boilers and parts ..	168	185	391	560
Tractors and parts ..	4,916	5,748	10,099	10,327
Turbines and parts ..	667	1,241	1,384	1,867
Other and parts ..	2,148	3,283	4,392	5,531
Office and accounting machines ..	2,743	2,483	6,027	4,984
Packaging machinery ..	154	163	420	383
Paper-making machinery ..	180	824	329	1,180
Paper-working machinery ..	304	368	594	638
Printing machinery ..	729	1,110	1,687	1,977
Pumps ..	304	285	606	566
Refrigerating appliances ..	257	291	443	513
Roller and ball bearings ..	970	1,024	1,920	2,006
Sewing machines ..	813	823	1,698	1,404
Shavers, electric, and parts ..	157	140	231	249
Stone-cutting, road-making and mining machinery ..	2,030	2,551	4,447	4,341
Textile-working machinery and appliances—				
Knitting machines ..	328	260	611	556
Other	935	1,065	2,174	1,914
Wood working machinery ..	153	160	312	419
Other machines and machinery ..	3,525	4,236	6,409	7,810
Total, Class XII.(c) ..	28,118	34,336	57,202	63,411
Total, CLASS XII. ..	70,459	82,001	143,159	157,132
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i> —				
Rubber—				
Crude, waste and masticated (including crepe) ..	2,105	3,299	4,475	7,022
Substitutes	817	1,298	1,985	2,456
Rubber Manufactures—				
Elastics and rubber thread ..	252	272	468	471
Tyres and tubes ..	316	432	690	798
Other	254	325	512	597
Total, Class XIII.(a) ..	3,744	5,626	8,130	11,344
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures</i> —				
Leather	84	148	191	279
Leather manufactures ..	200	132	312	244
Total, Class XIII.(b) ..	284	280	503	523
Total, Class XIII ..	4,028	5,906	8,633	11,867

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Manufactures of wood and wicker, including plywood, veneers and corestock ..	639	661	1,290	1,296
Timber—				
Dressed, bent or cut into shape ..	329	159	662	330
Undressed (including logs)	3,013	3,199	6,315	6,737
Wicker, bamboo and cane	33	43	67	75
Total, Class XIV.	4,014	4,062	8,334	8,438
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Abrasives (synthetic)	291	251	573	482
Cement	37	59	79	118
Crockery and other householdware ..	1,035	936	2,319	1,931
Glass	940	1,252	2,124	2,710
Glassware	555	631	1,194	1,293
Porcelain for electrical purposes ..	116	110	262	207
Tiles	267	326	516	608
Other earthenware, china, etc. ..	251	250	479	444
Total, Class XV.	3,492	3,815	7,546	7,793
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board—</i>				
Millboard and other boards ..	339	364	677	687
Paper—				
Printings—				
Newsprint	3,685	3,929	7,271	8,152
Other	894	1,006	1,502	1,886
Tissue and tissue cap (including cigarette)	614	725	1,125	1,349
Wrapping and bag papers ..	777	1,173	1,542	1,999
Writing and typewriting ..	319	240	585	523
Other	578	629	1,118	1,066
Pulp for manufacturing paper ..	1,075	1,905	3,296	4,100
Total, Class XVI.(a)	8,281	9,971	17,116	19,762
(b) <i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (printed), directories, etc. ..	2,746	2,845	5,437	5,188
Pens and pencils—				
Fountain pens and propelling pencils	245	230	473	440
Other	99	134	174	206
Other paper manufactures, stationery, etc.	724	741	1,506	1,373
Total, Class XVI.(b)	3,814	3,950	7,590	7,207
Total, Class XVI.	12,095	13,921	24,706	26,969

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIME-PIECES.				
Fancy goods and smokers' requisites ..	311	370	755	788
Jewellery—				
Precious stones, unset	284	386	580	731
Other, including imitation jewellery ..	180	337	490	650
Sporting material	163	193	353	371
Timepieces—				
Clocks and clock movements	299	335	732	663
Watches and watch movements	503	629	896	927
Toys	674	793	1,648	1,845
Total, CLASS XVII.	2,414	3,043	5,454	5,975
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.				
Cameras and magic lanterns and accessories therefor	579	1,299	1,046	1,805
Cinematographs	121	124	212	211
Films for cinematographs	552	561	942	1,099
Photographic goods, n.e.i.	248	304	426	483
Scientific instruments, appliances and materials—				
Optical and ophthalmic	251	367	558	733
Surgical and dental	684	805	1,301	1,534
Thermostats	141	168	258	331
Other scientific instruments and appliances	622	707	1,424	1,343
Total, Class XVIII.	3,198	4,335	6,167	7,539
CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids and anhydrides	306	362	618	677
Additives for petroleum oils	307	550	658	1,009
Alcohols and spirits	434	484	797	980
Calcium carbide	153	129	265	255
Drugs and medicinal preparations—				
Antibiotics	492	758	932	1,600
Vitamin and vitamin preparations	142	341	307	544
Other	1,832	2,195	3,807	4,099
Essential oils	171	173	325	332
Fertilizers—				
Potash salts	112	153	246	295
Rock phosphates	868	926	1,891	1,830
Other	637	207	796	384
Gases, refrigerant	132	127	239	219
Perfumery and toilet preparations	183	198	332	450
Soap and soap substitutes	138	209	298	369
Sodium carbonates	5	5	11	9
Sodium cyanide	67	56	149	112
Styrene (monomer)	274	299	566	580
Tetraethyl lead	205	264	433	536
Chemical compounds, n.e.i.	2,983	4,225	5,967	7,271
Chemical materials and products, n.e.i. ..	804	638	1,342	1,249
Total, Class XIX.	10,245	12,299	20,029	22,800

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Antiques, paintings, works of art ..	52	52	134	141
Arms, ammunition and explosives ..	350	359	705	919
Bags, baskets, purses, wallets, etc. ..	192	296	443	609
Brushware	81	99	171	200
Cellulose acetate, preformed shapes ..	83	150	236	289
Imports made subject to the condition that they be re-exported	683	1,195	1,368	1,992
Military, naval and air force stores and equipment	730	1,660	1,827	3,036
Musical instruments and parts—				
Gramophones, etc., including records ..	289	186	566	371
Other	232	210	456	416
Outside packages	3,485	3,906	7,163	7,529
Packings for engines, boilers, etc. ..	347	342	656	657
Passengers' effects	1,141	1,215	2,193	2,117
Prefabricated buildings	19	..	21	3
Specialized equipment for large-scale projects	351	531	889	786
Structural steelwork for use with industrial equipment	25	279	43	372
Synthetic resins	1,717	2,683	3,679	4,664
Synthetic sausage casings	75	50	143	104
Vessels (ships)	732	794	2,800	1,928
Wall and ceiling boards, parts and decorations	48	23	114	61
All other articles	1,498	2,206	3,020	4,129
Total, Class XX.	12,130	16,236	26,627	30,323
TOTAL MERCHANDISE	194,903	224,600	397,091	430,274
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE—				
Bronze specie .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Gold, including gold in matte	629	630	1,305	1,267
Silver, including silver in matte	7	12	19	20
Total, Class XXI.	636	642	1,324	1,287
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	83,625	100,644	172,920	191,546
Victoria	73,784	82,309	145,690	155,916
Queensland	12,054	12,267	25,082	25,469
South Australia	11,885	14,952	22,870	29,175
Western Australia	11,029	11,586	25,005	22,354
Tasmania	2,840	3,174	6,285	6,369
Northern Territory	304	288	531	685
Australian Capital Territory	18	22	32	47
GRAND TOTAL	195,539	225,242	398,415	431,561

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Butter	8,906	*12,083	12,333	*17,038
Cheese	1,061	2,049	1,502	2,833
Eggs	864	990	1,134	1,309
Fish, fresh or preserved by cold process ..	288	488	742	758
Ghee	71	135	200	276
Honey	149	151	291	296
Infants' and Invalids' foods	487	777	990	1,273
Meats—				
Bacon and hams, except tinned ..	28	51	61	77
Meat extracts	354	176	583	474
Preserved by cold process—				
Beef and veal	13,740	14,376	24,790	33,949
Lamb	4,777	2,021	5,563	2,478
Mutton	1,408	1,346	2,287	1,967
Offals	1,512	1,284	2,539	2,545
Pork	59	44	176	72
Poultry	39	22	70	36
Rabbit and hare	628	509	1,715	1,434
Preserved in airtight containers ..	3,946	3,974	8,267	7,676
Sausage casings, natural	656	488	1,210	831
Other	227	185	405	346
Milk and cream—				
Preserved, condensed, concentrated ..	1,516	1,676	2,207	2,378
Dried, including malted	1,451	2,147	2,445	3,102
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	739	263	951	898
Total, Class I.	42,906	45,235	70,461	82,046
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Biscuits, cakes and puddings	81	106	167	201
Confectionery, cocoa and chocolate ..	58	66	123	146
Food for animals	304	652	377	1,542
Fruit juices, syrups and substitutes ..	122	87	274	240
Fruit—				
Dried—				
Currants	108	178	552	493
Raisins	1,284	1,408	6,334	5,493
Other	14	102	136	233
Fresh and frozen—				
Apples	26	18	343	171
Citrus	239	424	550	797
Other	56	5	63	10
Preserved in airtight containers ..	1,599	1,236	4,712	4,196
Pulped	11	58	50	120

* Preliminary—subject to revision.

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES —continued.				
Grain and pulse—				
Prepared—				
Breakfast foods	39	84	58	126
Flour (wheaten)—				
Plain white	3,101	4,036	5,923	8,396
Other	150	185	298	351
Rice (cleaned)	549	474	1,214	1,260
Other	551	606	1,060	1,107
Unprepared—				
Barley	1,401	3,861	3,882	7,177
Millet	95	87	226	211
Oats	727	1,300	986	2,234
Peas (not split)	66	6	134	71
Rice	141	174	332	431
Sorghum	868	168	869	909
Wheat	7,745	13,140	16,188	28,078
Other	9	7	10	30
Jams and fruit jellies	165	139	335	278
Soups	68	72	144	125
Sugar—from cane	10,457	7,587	20,994	13,201
Tea	92	102	171	215
Vegetables—				
Preserved in liquid or pulped	44	49	71	84
Other	69	81	166	213
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin	137	100	291	244
Total, Class II.	30,376	36,598	67,033	78,383
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, beer, cider, etc.	143	214	307	442
Spirits (beverages)	89	96	185	168
Wine	303	249	606	588
Total, Class III.	535	559	1,098	1,198
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigarettes, cigars and snuff	89	27	135	66
Tobacco	69	44	183	91
Total, Class IV.	158	71	318	157
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS, INCL. BIRDS.				
Cattle	72	140	251	300
Horses	36	129	117	236
Sheep	85	161	186	441
Other live animals	28	50	60	95
Total, Class V.	221	480	614	1,072

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD-STUFFS.				
Hides and skins—				
Calf, cattle and horse	1,535	1,373	2,709	3,847
Kangaroo and wallaby	59	129	137	280
Rabbit and hare	307	300	943	926
Sheep and lamb	3,630	6,205	7,174	12,258
Other (including sheepskin and lamb-skin pieces)	84	225	119	394
Pearl-shell	205	233	396	407
Trochus-shell	48	23	86	56
Wool—				
Greasy	79,176	113,686	121,279	167,025
Washed and scoured, slipe, carbonized, noils, tops and waste	9,624	11,828	17,912	23,896
Other animal substances	125	129	248	281
Total, Class VI.	94,793	134,131	151,003	209,370
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND MAN-MADE FIBRES.				
Seeds	86	110	243	338
Tanning substances	103	117	127	170
Other vegetable substances	92	74	181	169
Total, Class VII.	281	301	551	677
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.				
(a) <i>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Waste materials and scrap from textile articles	148	221	272	404
Yarns—				
Wool or chiefly of wool	25	11	47	28
Other, including sewing threads, etc.	86	90	132	287
Other manufactured fibres	66	27	93	63
Total, Class VIII.(a)	325	349	544	782
(b) <i>Textiles—</i>				
Piece-goods—				
Cotton	37	92	74	138
Rayon or chiefly of rayon or other man-made fibres	24	34	45	65
Wool or chiefly of wool	19	18	35	35
Other	18	61	37	102
Other textiles	59	83	147	172
Total, Class VIII (b)	157	288	338	512

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	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL— <i>continued.</i>				
(c) Apparel—				
Footwear	76	50	138	161
Outerwear	25	28	62	67
Shirts, underwear and sleeping attire	14	12	23	24
Other apparel	74	47	136	100
Total, Class VIII.(c)	189	137	359	352
Total, Class VIII.	671	774	1,241	1,646
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and waxes, etc.—				
Edible animal fats, excluding tallow ..	27	20	47	44
Fatty acids	48	90	112	211
Tallow—edible and inedible	978	1,414	1,746	2,847
Other	59	80	117	132
Oils—				
Petroleum and shale, including petroleum jelly—				
Kerosene (incl. aviation turbine fuel)	210	549	263	816
Lubricating	92	113	211	239
Residual, diesel fuel and furnace oil ..	1,437	1,334	3,263	2,153
Spirit	1,558	505	2,785	978
Other	734	2,120	1,306	2,896
Whale oil	370	334	1,081	833
Other	73	35	106	63
Total, Class IX.	5,586	6,594	11,037	11,212
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES—				
Lead oxides	59	38	115	99
Paints and enamels prepared for use ..	107	114	219	235
Other pigments, paints and varnishes ..	125	96	204	190
Total, Class X.	291	248	538	524
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.				
Asbestos, crude and fibre	45	211	176	615
Asphalt, tar and pitch	105	81	200	129
Coal	783	1,010	1,453	1,940
Coke	1	142	77	206
Ores and concentrates, including residues and wastes—				
Copper	253	862	492	2,597
Lead and silver-lead	1,425	2,188	2,707	3,602
Titanium and zirconium	1,189	1,491	2,726	2,776
Tungsten	77	164	130	379
Zinc	976	803	1,721	1,803
Other	206	185	452	685
Other rocks and minerals	78	146	180	260
Total, Class XI.	5,138	7,283	10,314	14,992

Total Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Metals and semi-manufactures—				
Copper	1,610	2,029	2,638	2,492
Copper-base alloys	256	469	324	807
Iron and steel—				
Bar and rod	383	533	713	997
Pipes, tubes and fittings therefor	1,865	1,764	3,096	3,319
Plate and sheet	3,660	4,223	6,042	7,802
Scrap	753	703	1,407	1,697
Other	928	1,799	1,901	3,091
Lead—				
Bullion and silver-lead bullion	1,726	519	3,365	1,512
Pig	3,583	3,871	6,212	5,674
Other	58	61	123	83
Zinc	856	928	1,829	1,952
Other metals and semi-manufactures	114	264	226	409
Metal manufactures—				
Builders' and engineering hardware	90	167	207	309
Tools of trade	67	149	159	362
Vehicles and parts—				
Complete motor vehicles ..	489	545	946	971
Other vehicles and parts ..	1,165	1,452	4,393	2,497
Window louvres	179	244	334	429
Other metal manufactures ..	1,043	1,249	1,997	2,377
Total, Class XII.(a)	18,825	20,969	35,912	36,780
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and accumulators ..	112	190	245	326
Cable and wire, covered ..	74	69	410	164
Communication equipment ..	428	178	651	423
Other electrical appliances ..	349	421	716	908
Total, Class XII.(b)	963	858	2,022	1,826
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Aircraft engines and parts ..	89	127	269	299
Agricultural, horticultural, etc., machinery	406	393	701	667
Mining and metallurgical machinery and appliances	222	178	293	370
Motive power machinery ..	369	327	731	681
Personal and massage appliances ..	29	6	86	19
Pumps, machinery	80	75	164	176
Refrigerating appliances ..	108	112	214	199
Other machines and machinery ..	1,290	1,530	2,467	2,789
Total, Class XII.(c)	2,593	2,748	4,925	5,200
Total, Class XII.	22,381	24,575	42,859	43,806

Total Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i> ..	218	262	432	512
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather—				
Hide leathers—				
Sole	136	143	266	292
Other	665	1,140	1,247	2,276
Sheep and lamb	22	21	39	45
Other	95	70	193	118
Leather manufactures	34	40	98	71
Total, Class XIII.(b)	952	1,414	1,843	2,802
Total, Class XIII.	1,170	1,676	2,275	3,314
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Sleepers, railway	783	747	1,346	1,406
Timber	435	343	826	683
Wood and wicker manufactures	128	286	262	453
Total, Class XIV.	1,346	1,376	2,434	2,542
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE ..	217	225	482	526
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board</i>	197	214	482	441
(b) <i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (printed), periodicals, newspapers, etc.	311	423	612	835
Other	155	209	312	408
Total, Class XVI.(b)	466	632	924	1,243
Total, Class XVI.	663	846	1,406	1,684
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIME-PIECES.				
Precious stones, unset—pearls, etc.	146	285	262	520
Sporting goods	41	40	96	114
Other	36	45	70	77
Total, Class XVII.	223	370	428	711
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.				
Films for cinematographs	54	97	129	186
Photographic goods and materials	219	199	414	441
Other optical, surgical and scientific instruments and materials	197	298	386	605
Total, Class XVIII.	470	594	929	1,232

Total Exports—continued.
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six Months ended December.	
	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein	602	557	824	725
Drugs and medicinal preparations—				
Acetylsalicylic acid	34	54	93	105
Other	488	510	970	1,059
Eucalyptus oil	13	19	47	48
Perfumery and toilet preparations ..	60	56	116	101
Soap	96	112	286	221
Other chemicals, elements and compounds	581	566	1,118	1,074
Miscellaneous chemical preparations (including fertilizers)	235	138	416	311
Total, Class XIX.	2,109	2,012	3,870	3,644
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms and ammunition	30	17	62	41
Exports by the Commonwealth Government for Australian Government projects being carried on outside Australia and for Australian representatives abroad	697	424	929	824
Other goods exported with the intention that they be re-imported and temporary imports when subsequently exported. Goods exported by Australian companies for installation in or servicing their own aircraft abroad	1,208	2,234	2,251	3,918
Military, naval and air force stores and equipment	1,810	353	2,518	822
Synthetic resins	216	133	339	277
Miscellaneous exports when valued at less than £50 in any one consignment ..	1,109	1,303	2,311	2,597
Vessels (ships) transferred abroad ..	39	261	144	384
All other articles	1,179	1,324	2,745	2,704
Total, Class XX.	6,288	6,049	11,299	11,567
TOTAL, MERCHANDISE	215,823	269,997	380,190	470,303
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE.				
Bronze Specie .. .. .	..	..	..	1
Gold, including gold in matte	1,524	448	2,046	779
Silver, including silver in matte	492	410	968	815
Total, Class XXI.	2,016	858	3,014	1,595
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	65,088	83,197	106,877	140,934
Victoria	60,323	72,636	101,725	120,576
Queensland	45,137	50,396	84,674	97,877
South Australia	22,619	28,612	41,897	52,043
Western Australia	21,326	31,341	41,784	52,518
Tasmania	3,303	4,580	6,193	7,639
Northern Territory	43	93	54	311
Australian Produce	212,696	265,426	374,139	462,053
Re-exports	5,143	5,429	9,065	9,845
GRAND TOTAL	217,839	270,855	383,204	471,898

TOTAL QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Particulars	Unit of Quantity.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
		1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.					
Butter	'000 lb.	63,321	68,123	90,310	93,649
Cheese	"	7,532	15,609	10,906	21,058
Eggs—					
In shell	'000 doz.	2,476	792	3,982	1,577
Not in shell	'000 lb.	4,763	6,546	4,787	7,881
Fish, fresh or preserved by cold process	"	1,997	980	3,121	1,602
Infants' and invalids' foods	"	3,355	5,137	6,061	7,948
Meats, poultry and game—					
Bacon and hams	"	104	176	243	277
Preserved by cold process—					
Beef and veal	"	138,219	111,583	268,348	266,016
Lamb	"	53,478	30,770	62,120	35,434
Mutton	"	18,868	21,014	31,171	30,249
Offals	"	14,568	12,219	25,201	25,242
Pork	"	406	227	1,260	377
Poultry	"	158	85	297	142
Rabbits and hares, skinned (carcasses and pieces)	"	6,038	4,325	16,684	12,696
Preserved in airtight containers	"	34,277	33,618	70,886	60,726
Sausage casings, natural	'000 bundles	735	832	1,302	1,337
Milk and Cream—					
Condensed, Concentrated etc.	'000 lb.	21,905	23,921	31,958	34,282
Dried, including malted	"	24,847	32,813	35,009	45,589
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.					
Fruit—					
Dried—					
Currants	'000 lb.	1,770	2,730	9,083	7,567
Raisins including sultanas	"	29,384	18,848	89,569	69,468
Tree fruits	"	137	1,045	1,075	2,173
Fresh—					
Apples	'000 bus.	23	11	242	105
Citrus	"	143	282	346	371
Other	"	11	4	16	8
Preserved in airtight containers	'000 lb.	22,749	19,288	66,762	65,325
Pulped	"	196	1,073	612	1,845

Total Quantities of Principal Commodities Exported from Australia—*continued*.

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
		1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—continued.					
Grain or cereals—					
Prepared—					
Flour (wheaten), plain white ..	'000 lb.	203,903	320,697	385,038	623,999
Oatmeal and rolled oats ..	"	1,163	1,867	1,456	4,134
Rice	cwt.	168,916	177,152	374,967	406,101
Unprepared—					
Barley	ton	50,553	194,554	151,377	354,131
Oats	"	30,024	55,672	39,490	100,190
Wheat	"	290,051	593,928	594,334	1,111,579
Jams and fruit jellies	'000 lb.	2,432	1,924	4,790	3,848
Sugar—from cane	ton	245,201	189,541	511,721	353,460
Vegetables—preserved or pulped ..	'000 lb.	431	537	706	813
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.					
Wine	'000 gal.	466	346	943	836
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.					
Hides and skins—					
Calf, cattle and horse	'000 lb.	22,454	13,778	40,481	37,082
Kangaroo and wallaby	"	200	366	478	739
Rabbit and hare	"	1,083	722	3,140	1,934
Sheep and lamb(a)	"	33,861	42,684	63,629	83,101
Wool—					
Greasy	"	370,978	430,747	547,312	648,718
Scoured and washed, slipe, carbonized, tops, noils and waste	"	32,738	31,893	58,896	67,431
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.					
Petroleum and shale oils—					
Residual, heavy diesel, etc. ..	'000 gal.	33,185	32,697	73,900	50,231
Spirit	"	23,497	6,928	42,512	14,023
Tallow, edible and inedible ..	ton	11,904	19,947	20,900	39,446
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDROCARBONS.					
Coal	ton	177,765	252,493	346,054	487,323
Ores and concentrates—					
Lead and silver-lead	"	22,680	20,742	46,184	54,581
Titanium and zirconium	"	65,367	84,959	102,269	147,106
Zinc	"	94,226	29,934	167,233	93,896
CLASS XII.—METALS.					
Iron and steel—					
Plate and sheet	ton	54,935	62,527	88,866	116,956
Lead—					
Pig	"	38,322	42,389	69,288	63,359
Bullion	"	16,029	5,021	32,032	14,550
Zinc, bars, blocks, etc.	"	10,689	4,077	22,500	14,477

(a) Excludes weight of "pickled skins" from 1st July, 1958.

PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.				Fruits.		
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef and Veal.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.(a)	Pork.(a)	Dried.		Pre- served in air- tight con- tainers.
							Vine.	Tree.	
QUANTITY. (⁰⁰⁰ lb.)									
1938-39 ..	229,543	35,924	1,739	271,964	186,489	30,716	164,213	3,915	81,279
1954-55 ..	140,017	49,543	1,675	276,398	128,793	6,515	153,000	6,437	215,795
1955-56 ..	185,103	38,485	1,003	322,748	116,283	2,472	137,300	3,665	209,123
1956-57 ..	170,833	39,262	748	334,644	76,274	1,437	100,837	2,877	133,991
1957-58 ..	113,780	20,674	577	282,005	106,622	2,149	133,717	1,353	165,161
1958-59 ..	173,189	32,280	460	510,239	165,842	1,870	169,838	3,345	196,020
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	90,310	10,905	243	268,323	93,291	1,260	98,652	1,075	66,762
Dec., 1959b	93,649	21,058	277	266,016	65,678	377	77,038	2,172	65,325

VALUE.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

1938-39 ..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882	2,747	118	1,267
1954-55 ..	24,580	5,057	355	21,899	11,817	781	7,637	799	15,245
1955-56 ..	28,966	3,537	229	23,431	9,752	364	7,375	427	15,469
1956-57 ..	25,824	3,860	196	23,271	6,095	271	6,209	377	10,078
1957-58 ..	15,639	1,855	150	21,570	8,384	318	8,959	185	12,350
1958-59 ..	24,956	4,467	101	55,485	14,003	274	12,263	480	12,950
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1958	12,333	1,502	61	24,786	7,850	176	6,886	136	4,712
Dec., 1959b	17,038	2,833	77	33,949	4,443	72	5,986	233	4,196

(a) Preserved by cold process.

(b) Preliminary.

Period.	Wheat.	Flour (Wheaten) Plain White.	Barley (Unpre- pared).	Sugar— from Cane.	Wool.		Sheep and Lamb- skins.	Lead (Pig).
					Greasy.	Scoured. (a)		
QUANTITY.								
1938-39 ..	tons. 1,690,956	'000 lb. 1,450,130	tons. 58,441	tons. 443,014	'000 lb. 793,384	'000 lb. 70,881	'000 lb. 84,359	tons. 204,495
1954-55 ..	1,691,063	1,311,238	421,174	737,149	959,033	101,553	100,229	140,256
1955-56 ..	1,902,896	1,333,587	470,210	592,229	1,063,475	114,550	105,566	145,987
1956-57 ..	2,440,355	1,499,424	591,544	675,282	1,206,621	131,880	103,373	167,380
1957-58 ..	1,060,055	919,355	430,017	707,805	1,080,634	116,812	125,325	164,060
1958-59 ..	1,463,337	894,396	667,945	802,970	1,185,669	128,562	136,153	143,828
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1958	594,334	385,038	151,377	511,721	547,232	58,896	63,629	69,288
Dec., 1959b	1,111,579	623,993	354,131	353,460	648,718	67,399	83,101	63,359

VALUE.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

1938-39 ..	8,735	4,540	342	4,178	37,305	5,324	2,370	4,267
1954-55 ..	45,292	20,305	10,357	31,146	310,902	42,204	15,935	17,182
1955-56 ..	46,456	19,703	10,471	24,723	293,835	43,673	15,691	19,539
1956-57 ..	60,052	21,669	12,715	23,760	425,727	57,977	19,917	22,915
1957-58 ..	28,493	14,349	9,474	34,995	325,509	47,888	20,451	15,820
1958-59 ..	38,381	13,332	16,898	32,163	264,202	38,010	14,809	12,561
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1958	16,188	5,923	3,882	20,994	121,258	17,912	7,031	6,212
Dec., 1959b	23,078	8,396	7,177	13,201	167,025	23,886	12,085	5,674

(a) Includes scoured and washed, shipe, carbonized, tops, noils and waste.

(b) Preliminary.

PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1958.		1959.		1958.		1959.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	BUTTER.				CHEESE.			
United Kingdom ..	80,551	10,894	69,225	*12,831	8,672	1,143	17,029	2,078
Australian Territories ..	321	45	359	71	54	8	70	12
Borneo (British) ..	187	33	219	49	4	1	13	3
Ceylon ..	1,380	183	863	146	238	38	193	38
Cyprus ..	100	16	214	47	2	..	2	..
Guiana (British) ..	174	27	150	32	2	..	11	2
Hong Kong ..	844	111	847	145	183	27	426	77
India ..	12	2	2	..	49	7	195	37
Malaya, Fed. of ..	1,118	169	1,216	230	69	9	95	15
Mauritius ..	418	73	386	85	62	10	176	34
Singapore ..	1,238	172	1,021	180	268	38	307	51
West Indies (British) ..	195	33	734	145	61	9	109	20
Other C'wealth Countries	375	58	2,121	362	110	19	532	83
Arabian States ..	695	124	585	118	588	112	586	128
Burma ..	169	30	306	68	3	1	54	11
French Dependencies—								
New Caledonia ..	298	43	312	61	69	11	74	15
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	220	19	2,352	328	..	..	..	..
Indonesia ..	..	..	7	2	..	..	5	1
Italy ..	745	94	5,113	893	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	40	6	28	5	115	13	28	5
Lebanon ..	1	..	22	5	36	6	45	8
Netherlands Antilles ..	125	22	75	18	..	..	..	..
Philippines ..	112	19	134	28	110	16	525	95
Other Foreign Countries	992	160	7,368	1,189	210	34	583	120
New South Wales ..	500	76	1,210	244	156	22	571	72
Victoria ..	64,462	8,853	68,081	12,358	6,023	869	11,340	1,651
Queensland ..	18,824	2,505	16,556	3,061	802	100	3,120	365
South Australia ..	287	38	172	32	3,789	493	5,164	643
Western Australia ..	35	7	61	13	135	18	863	102
Tasmania ..	6,202	854	7,569	1,330	..	..	..	..
Total ..	90,310	12,333	93,649	17,038	10,905	1,502	21,058	2,833
BACON AND HAMS.				BEEF AND VEAL. (Preserved by Cold Process.)				
United Kingdom ..	..	..	..	..	229,927	19,798	113,771	11,863
Australian Territories ..	62	17	64	20	716	106	621	108
Bermuda ..	..	..	..	..	578	103	802	157
Hong Kong ..	..	..	30	11	1,279	124	1,137	135
Malaya, Fed. of ..	37	9	37	11	1,286	152	1,584	172
Malta ..	..	..	..	..	742	83	1,081	137
Singapore ..	56	12	54	13	5,030	494	3,275	358
West Indies (British) ..	24	6	15	4	3,343	349	2,513	344
Other C'wealth Countries	34	9	72	17	2,547	267	1,780	264
Arabian States—								
Saudi Arabia ..	..	..	..	..	316	82	236	76
Other ..	5	1	..	..	473	103	275	65
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	..	..	..	..	832	83	2,271	240
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	59	7	472	48
Japan ..	..	..	..	..	999	89	2,253	192
Philippines ..	..	..	..	..	2,360	251	1,816	225
United States of America	..	..	..	..	14,198	2,242	129,051	19,157
Other Foreign Countries	25	7	5	1	3,638	453	3,078	408
New South Wales ..	20	6	19	6	45,007	4,808	37,149	5,424
Victoria ..	12	3	15	4	18,774	2,191	35,542	4,805
Queensland ..	142	36	208	58	185,508	16,274	166,288	20,875
South Australia ..	5	2	6	2	3,139	201	2,904	245
Western Australia ..	64	14	29	7	15,447	1,272	22,994	2,466
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	447	40	1,138	134
N. Territory ..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..
Total ..	243	61	277	77	268,323	24,786	266,016	33,949

* Preliminary—subject to revision.

NOTE.—Values in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries--*continued.*

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1958.		1959.		1958.		1959.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	MUTTON AND LAMB. (Preserved by Cold Process.)				PORK. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
United Kingdom ..	70,744	5,805	37,218	2,201	411	42	1	..
Australian Territories ..	330	34	357	35	141	22	103	20
Canada ..	3,965	303	5,154	428	67	14	9	2
Ceylon ..	213	16	152	11	1	..	8	2
Hong Kong ..	234	19	318	20	94	13	6	1
Malaya, Fed. of ..	1,083	53	543	28	26	4	2	..
Rhodesia and Nyasaland	555	47	777	63	..	..	..	..
Singapore ..	1,516	103	1,941	96	256	38	66	12
South Africa, Union of..	95	7	287	19	..	..	..	..
Other C'wealth Countries	1,223	86	1,507	106	68	11	95	18
Arabian States ..	386	44	346	43	36	6	11	3
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	120	4	450	17	..	..	..	..
United States of America	11,874	1,209	15,558	1,308	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	953	60	1,070	68	160	26	76	14
Total ..	93,291	7,850	65,678	4,443	1,260	176	377	72
	DRIED VINE FRUITS—CURRANTS.				DRIED VINE FRUITS—RAISINS (including Sultanas and Lexias).			
United Kingdom ..	2,018	112	922	53	32,213	2,567	28,402	2,390
Canada ..	3,433	215	3,981	272	28,643	1,791	28,436	2,129
Ceylon ..	257	16	264	16	1,053	65	757	55
New Zealand ..	1,717	104	1,272	80	10,464	734	7,656	598
Singapore ..	56	4	81	2	147	9	66	5
Other C'wealth Countries	682	42	1,013	64	2,027	135	2,344	180
Netherlands ..	56	3	..	..	1,366	95	6	..
Other Foreign Countries	864	56	84	6	13,656	938	1,801	136
Total ..	9,083	552	7,567	493	89,569	6,334	69,468	5,493
New South Wales ..	..	..	4	..	1	..	2	..
Victoria ..	2,053	126	3,474	231	80,349	5,661	59,317	4,722
Queensland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Australia ..	4,806	290	3,923	251	9,219	673	10,149	771
Western Australia ..	2,224	136	166	11	..	..	..	..
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1958.		1959.		1958.		1959.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	DRIED TREE FRUITS.				FRUITS PRESERVED IN AIRTIGHT CONTAINERS.			
United Kingdom ..	766	95	860	76	59,256	4,191	52,163	3,428
Canada ..	12	2	23	2	3,216	216	2,718	179
New Zealand ..	218	28	501	82	1,743	121	3,521	196
Singapore ..	2	..	..	..	368	26	163	10
Other C'wealth Countries	66	9	205	23	774	60	1,083	77
Germany, Fed. Rep. of	4	1	425	32	300	19	2,927	141
Sweden ..	..	..	4	..	141	9	199	10
Other Foreign Countries	7	1	154	18	964	70	2,551	155
New South Wales ..	167	21	848	77	3,936	301	4,852	327
Victoria ..	8	1	17	3	41,584	3,049	39,951	2,659
Queensland ..	..	..	11	2	13,641	855	12,743	694
South Australia ..	344	41	1,173	139	4,355	292	6,400	402
Western Australia ..	..	..	..	..	100	8	..	..
Tasmania ..	556	73	123	12	3,146	207	1,379	114
Total ..	1,075	136	2,172	233	66,762	4,712	65,325	4,196
	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WHEAT.				FLOUR (WHEATEN)—PLAIN-WHITE.			
United Kingdom ..	225,256	6,131	190,988	4,775	42,481	622	40,069	551
Aden ..	2,480	74	9,597	248	30,858	445	27,184	385
Australian Territories	56	2	113	4	6,819	115	12,115	119
Borneo (British) ..	5	..	..	..	9,840	157	12,132	183
Ceylon ..	124	4	98	3	39,220	599	184,828	2,517
East Africa (British) ..	199	6	1,122	32	6,561	98	4,454	63
Hong Kong ..	26,307	697	34,062	849	4,609	71	5,704	86
India ..	9,550	259	92,752	2,309	144	2	10	..
Ireland, Republic of ..	41,608	1,124	..	..	86,583	1,376	138,650	1,615
Malaya, Fed. of ..	8,904	267	12,835	305	..	..	..	..
Malta ..	..	..	10,250	259	13,462	211	13,489	192
Mauritius ..	5	..	9	..	10	..	1	..
New Zealand ..	126,586	3,408	122,813	3,022	..	..	..	..
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	8,672	137	10,790	169
Fiji ..	124	4	211	1	4,839	79	7,748	100
Other ..	14	1	19	1	194	3	..	..
Pakistan ..	9,470	260	42,745	1,091	2,417	37	3,943	56
Rhodesia and Nyasaland	19,482	572	46,176	1,236	43,488	680	38,537	555
Singapore ..	2,265	70	1,696	48	3,280	54	5,473	87
Other C'wealth Countries	18	1	9,448	267	29,139	411	30,709	410
Arabian States ..	5,491	161	3,423	94	9,348	146	7,520	114
Burma ..	400	11	2,315	64	..	..	..	..
France ..	..	..	..	..	1,786	26	97	2
French Dependencies ..	192	8	497	9	..	..	..	..
Germany, Fed. Rep. of	20,760	540	34,959	841	12,739	200	50,504	794
Indonesia ..	..	..	..	..	365	5	213	3
Iran ..	386	12	11,546	307	727	10	5	..
Iraq ..	7,012	208	153,195	4,121	..	..	..	..
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	7,386	116	4,814	80
Japan ..	77,530	2,089	258,172	6,353	..	..	..	..
Philippines ..	..	..	14,841	375	698	11	1,730	26
Portuguese Possessions—	..	..	..	..	116	2	157	3
India ..	1,525	44	1,693	52	..	..	..	..
Mozambique ..	..	..	1,228	31	..	..	..	..
Sudan ..	..	..	..	..	16,831	271	15,461	236
Thailand ..	85	2	71	2	2,376	38	7,636	50
Other Foreign Countries	..	..	44,116	1,122	50	1	20	..
For Orders ..	8,500	233	10,589	257	..	..	..	..
New South Wales ..	27,171	714	332,119	8,057	33,438	523	236,424	3,350
Victoria ..	122,853	3,271	64,610	1,594	183,197	2,790	172,043	2,483
Queensland ..	4	..	82,282	2,258	3,460	61	27,397	308
South Australia ..	157,283	4,346	232,913	6,116	70,310	1,101	88,504	1,113
Western Australia ..	287,023	7,857	399,655	10,053	94,633	1,448	99,407	1,141
Northern Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	218	1
Total ..	594,334	16,188	1,111,579	28,078	385,038	5,923	623,993	8,396

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—*continued.*

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1958.		1959.		1958.		1959.	
	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.
	BARLEY—UNPREPARED.				SUGAR—FROM CANE.			
United Kingdom ..	24,504	661	69,048	1,407	237,884	10,925	164,665	7,141
Australian Territories—								
New Guinea ..	..	..	..	..	1,220	76	2,079	74
Canada ..	5	..	..	..	81,316	3,072	60,668	2,222
Ceylon ..	..	..	13	1	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong ..	79	3	120	3	35,637	1,341	17,805	535
Malaya, Fed. of ..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	34,060	1,286	23,473	775
Singapore ..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Other C'wealth Countries	241	7	291	8	1,602	98	2,038	94
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	2,150	59	7,817	174	..	..	..	..
Denmark ..	9,850	249	4,901	116	..	..	..	..
French Dependencies—								
New Caledonia ..	10	..	9	..	8	1	9	..
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	22,147	630	98,703	1,983	..	..	..	..
Italy ..	2,500	66	46,058	896	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	74,114	1,770	32,213	724	119,892	4,189	82,630	2,355
Netherlands ..	15,580	431	50,264	950	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	190	6	14,817	337	102	6	93	5
For Orders ..	..	..	29,871	578	..	..	..	..
New South Wales ..	265	7	9	..	2,123	130	3,169	131
Victoria ..	5,563	154	35,333	677	255	16	308	14
Queensland ..	29,306	831	47,258	1,003	509,310	20,846	349,943	13,054
South Australia ..	106,486	2,643	247,018	4,970	..	..	1	..
Western Australia ..	9,757	247	24,513	527	33	2	38	2
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northern Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Total ..	151,377	3,882	354,131	7,177	511,721	20,994	353,460	13,201

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1958.		1959.		1958.		1959.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WOOL—GREASY.				WOOL—SCOURED AND WASHED, SLIPE, CARBONIZED, TOPS, NOILS AND WASTE.			
United Kingdom ..	151,103	32,205	140,625	38,659	12,438	3,077	13,204	3,895
Canada ..	35	9	701	119	1,995	517	1,890	577
Hong Kong ..	1,315	336	1,442	414	552	210	645	316
India ..	108	28	142	51	3,024	1,266	2,267	957
Ireland, Republic of ..	904	224	1,264	363	15	3	10	4
New Zealand ..	21	6	..	..	478	243	606	315
Pakistan ..	..	..	..	..	355	163	455	207
South Africa, Union of ..	693	160	2,026	555	56	14	63	19
Other C'wealth Countries ..	..	..	..	..	100	34	2	..
Austria ..	2,454	617	1,976	567	93	36	4	1
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	53,232	7,752	56,486	10,339	1,140	284	1,179	300
China (Mainland) ..	3,343	904	3,860	1,158	5,239	2,610	9,745	4,599
Columbia ..	14	5	..	..	307	110	303	116
Czechoslovakia ..	8,795	2,299	14,575	4,321	32	8	11	3
Denmark ..	32	8	..	..	401	95	329	108
Formosa ..	..	..	..	..	900	395	1,060	490
France ..	77,029	15,879	88,417	21,277	2,448	603	1,979	665
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	27,692	5,811	37,739	9,288	4,580	1,253	5,475	1,779
Greece ..	112	30	36	11	645	169	423	146
Iran ..	115	35	..	..	428	146	256	85
Italy ..	43,284	9,842	57,371	15,510	4,630	1,068	4,275	1,255
Japan ..	121,455	31,205	157,939	42,664	4,319	1,093	6,335	1,935
Korea, Republic of ..	52	22	39	16	2,421	1,258	2,962	1,606
Lebanon ..	465	118	22	7	..	..	..	..
Mexico ..	5,494	1,612	3,840	1,097	517	152	150	49
Netherlands ..	553	106	661	182	801	190	491	136
Norway ..	..	..	7	3	92	26	94	31
Poland ..	17,175	4,808	20,687	6,181	33	..	..	..
Portugal ..	1,520	354	772	225	663	156	84	28
Romania ..	551	133	299	91	..	..	..	..
Spain ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sweden ..	..	..	14	4	439	126	531	186
Switzerland ..	1,362	289	2,848	735	358	115	105	38
Turkey ..	2,017	537	1,259	367	17	6	568	273
U.S.S.R. ..	..	..	14,879	4,556	..	..	..	..
United States of America ..	13,744	2,967	14,904	4,057	7,551	1,910	9,731	2,974
Yugoslavia ..	3,240	931	3,404	1,156	90	23	..	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	969	222	2,694	778	486	234	682	307
For Orders ..	8,354	1,804	8,790	2,274	1,263	311	1,485	486
Total ..	547,232	121,258	648,718	167,025	58,896	17,912	67,399	23,886
New South Wales ..	188,561	41,526	225,002	56,849	14,905	3,714	16,010	4,769
Victoria ..	141,288	32,428	155,559	41,604	14,236	3,526	14,278	4,234
Queensland ..	88,230	20,799	116,752	30,333	5,388	1,509	6,459	2,178
South Australia ..	66,841	13,414	75,703	19,231	3,150	805	3,881	1,238
Western Australia ..	58,125	12,105	70,142	18,433	9,080	2,584	13,087	4,752
Tasmania ..	4,187	986	5,560	1,570	20	3	114	24
Total ..	547,232	121,258	648,718	167,025	(a)46,779	(a)12,141	(a)53,829	(a)17,195

(a) Excludes exports of wool tops and noils. State details are not available for publication.

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—*continued.*

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1958.		1959.		1958.		1959.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.
	SHEEP AND LAMB SKINS.(a)				LEAD (Pig).			
United Kingdom ..	6,409	676	6,978	913	27,549	2,360	33,488	2,776
India ..	3	..	4	..	2,085	179	737	64
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	2,892	260	1,754	155
South Africa, Union of..	2	1	71	13	890	78	1,100	92
Other C'wealth Countries	6	1	..	..	194	17	100	9
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	454	56	2,934	426	976	86	..	..
France ..	47,208	5,208	62,522	9,117	600	50	551	45
Italy ..	3,355	433	6,913	1,140	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	..	..	47	7	608	52	360	53
Netherlands ..	1,536	122	545	51	1,268	108	250	21
United States of America	16	2	89	7	29,384	2,772	21,047	2,113
Other Foreign Countries	4,640	532	2,998	411	2,842	250	3,972	346
New South Wales ..	18,503	2,096	21,030	3,045	309	29	78	8
Victoria ..	23,381	2,565	34,728	5,030	456	39	133	13
Queensland ..	3,492	356	4,598	659	8	1	..	..
South Australia ..	10,538	1,091	13,506	1,932	68,232	6,134	63,063	5,642
Western Australia ..	5,134	621	6,066	913	267	8	85	11
Tasmania ..	2,581	302	3,173	506	16	1	..	..
Total ..	63,629	7,031	83,101	12,085	69,288	6,212	63,359	5,674

(a) Excludes pickled skins from 1st July, 1958.

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

SECTION V.—TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of shipping for the years 1948-49 to 1957-58 appear in *Transport and Communication*, Bulletin No. 49, pages 43-53.

OVERSEA SHIPPING—ENTRANCES AND CLEARANCES, AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Entrances.				Clearances.			
	With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.		With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.	
	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.
1952-53 ..	1,546	7,312	1,988	8,704	1,582	6,504	2,053	8,867
1953-54 ..	1,647	7,736	2,054	8,882	1,507	6,179	2,074	8,851
1954-55 ..	1,943	9,162	2,245	9,939	1,491	6,157	2,260	10,064
1955-56 ..	2,054	10,095	2,425	11,223	1,697	6,886	2,457	11,096
1956-57 ..	2,068	10,112	2,628	11,815	1,989	7,870	2,662	11,845
1957-58 ..	2,211	10,970	2,656	12,384	1,906	7,873	2,598	12,131
1958-59 ..	2,240	11,349	2,706	12,947	2,050	8,501	2,757	13,072
Six months ended—								
December, 1958..	1,138	5,704	1,338	6,327	1,032	4,208	1,386	6,469
December, 1959..	1,155	5,980	1,462	7,037	1,107	4,630	1,479	7,089

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED. (‘000.)

NOTE.—Part of the cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately. “1 ton measurement” equals 40 cubic feet.

State or Territory, and Year.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.								
New South Wales ..	2,676	122	2,491	546	2,005	124	936	196
Victoria ..	1,297	177	2,583	498	576	191	704	267
Queensland ..	600	91	207	102	385	27	904	60
South Australia ..	1,081	59	219	137	2,148	34	633	69
Western Australia ..	154	89	1,552	73	785	26	812	83
Tasmania ..	393	100	115	14	334	118	47	13
Northern Territory ..	38	..	24	..	2	..	1	..
Australia ..	6,239	638	7,191	1,370	6,235	520	4,037	688
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.(a)								
New South Wales ..	2,727	85	2,867	603	2,222	107	1,597	207
Victoria ..	1,414	238	2,598	571	721	263	674	264
Queensland ..	676	97	185	123	345	28	878	41
South Australia ..	1,147	63	259	150	2,172	44	817	81
Western Australia ..	220	101	1,503	58	941	37	935	76
Tasmania ..	380	149	160	12	268	175	50	8
Northern Territory ..	15	2	30	..	5	4	4	3
Australia ..	6,579	735	7,602	1,517	6,674	658	4,955	680
Total 1958-59 ..	12,236	1,288	14,232	2,666	12,345	1,047	8,646	1,469
" 1957-58 ..	12,621	1,336	13,719	2,914	12,614	1,157	7,365	1,489
" 1956-57 ..	11,862	1,284	12,596	2,752	11,899	1,290	8,734	1,379
" 1955-56 ..	11,184	1,572	12,431	3,421	11,632	1,315	6,667	1,546
" 1954-55 ..	10,136	1,621	10,992	3,403	10,213	1,472	6,083	1,420
" 1953-54 ..	9,059	1,790	8,520	2,812	9,105	1,539	5,765	1,355
" 1952-53 ..	8,995	1,492	7,733	1,929	8,447	1,275	6,045	1,452

(a) Preliminary.

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1959.

(These rates are expressed in sterling.)

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator)—									
United Kingdom	..	..	..	..	..	10s.	2½d.	per box (56 lb.).	
Continent	..	..	..	..	..	10s.	9d.	" "	
Cheese (Refrigerator)	..	..	..	..	..	2½d.	per lb.	" "	
Eggs (in shell)	..	..	..	..	..	30½s.	per ton measurement.		
Meats—									
Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—									
Beef	..	..	..	..	..	3½d.	per lb.		
Lamb	..	..	..	..	..	3½d.	" "		
Mutton	..	..	..	..	..	3½d.	" "		
Rabbits and Hares	..	..	..	..	..	23½s.	ton measurement.		
Preserved in tins	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	" "		
Sausage Casings—(dried)—cases or casks	..	..	..	..	..	32½s.	6d.	" "	
Milk and Cream (condensed)	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	" "	" "	

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

Sugar (Refined)	..	..	..	..	..	326s.	per ton weight.		
Dried Fruits	..	..	..	..	..	16½s.	6d.	per ton measurement.	
Jams	..	..	..	..	..	16½s.	6d.	" "	
Jellies	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	" "	" "	
Fruits, Fresh (Refrigerator)—									
Apples	..	..	..	..	..	1½s.	6d.	per bushel case.	
Citrus	..	..	..	..	..	13s.	3d.	" "	
Grain and Pulse, unprepared—									
Wheat—									
Charter	..	..	..	..	..	(a)	per ton weight.		
Parcels	..	..	..	..	..	100s.	" "	" "	
Barley	..	..	..	..	..	115s.	" "	" "	
Oats	..	..	..	..	..	132s.	6d.	" "	
Maize	..	..	..	..	..	120s.	" "	" "	
Grain and Pulse, prepared—									
Flour, Wheaten	..	..	..	..	..	115s.	" "	" "	
Bran	135s.	" "	" "	
Pollard	127s.	6d.	" "	
Rice (clean, husked)	120s.	" "	" "	

WINE	194s.	per ton measurement.		
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ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—									
Calf	..	..	..	..	..	1½d.	per lb. (dry in bales).		
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	2½d.	" "		
Rabbit	..	..	..	..	..	4½d.	" "		
Other	..	..	..	..	..	4½d.	" "		
Pearl-shell	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	per ton measurement.		
Wool—									
Greasy	..	..	..	..	..	3.39d.	per lb. less 7%.		
Scoured and Washed	..	..	..	..	..	4.26d.	" "	" "	
Tops	..	..	..	..	..	4.06d.	per lb. (net).		

VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

Compressed Fodder	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	per ton measure		
Copra	..	..	..	..	..	333s.	" "	" "	
Bark, Tanning	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	per ton measurement or weight		
Raw Cotton (in bales)	..	..	..	..	..	2½d.	per lb.		

APPAREL, TEXTILES AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—

Apparel and Attire (Effects)	..	..	..	..	..	319s.	per ton measurement or weight		
Binder Twine	..	..	..	..	..	359s.	per ton weight.		

OILS, FATS AND WAXES—

Oil—									
Coconut	..	..	..	..	..	230s.	6d.	per ton measurement.	
Eucalyptus	..	..	..	..	..	204s.	" "	" "	
Fusel	..	..	..	..	..	326s.	" "	" "	
Whale	..	..	..	..	..	230s.	6d.	" "	
Tallow, Unrefined	230s.	6d.	" "	

PAINTS AND VARNISHES	204s.	per ton weight/measurement.		
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**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and
Continent at 31st December, 1959—continued.**

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—

Ore in Casks, Bags or Drums	..	..	..	..	132s. 6d. per ton weight.
Zinc—					
Ingots	..	..	..	..	109s. " " "
Dust (in cases)	..	..	..	..	481s. " " "
Sheet (in cases)	..	..	..	..	211s. " " "
Copper (ingots)	..	..	..	..	127s. 6d. " " "
Lead	..	..	..	..	116s. 6d. " " "
Steel—					
Billets (20 to 30 feet)	..	..	..	..	100s. " " "
Tyres	..	..	..	..	181s. 6d. " " "
Tin Clippings hydraulically pressed	..	..	..	..	102s. 6d. " " "

**LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES
THEREFOR—**

Leather	448s. per ton weight.
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WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—

Timber—					
Logs up to 40-ft. lengths	70s. 10d. per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	76s. 1d. " " "
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	81s. 8d. " " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30-ft. lengths—					
Shipment of less than 50 tons	..	..	..	..	37s. 6d. " " "

EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA AND GLASS

..	..	..	..	..	204s. per ton measurement or weight
STATIONERY	204s. per ton measurement or weight

DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS—

Fertilizers	204s. per ton weight
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MISCELLANEOUS—

Soap	204s. per ton measurement or weight
Casein	323s. per ton weight in bags.
SPECIE	..	..	..	..	15s. per cent. (ad valorem)

(a) No quote available.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES.
GENERAL CARGO, 31st DECEMBER, 1959.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

(These rates are expressed in Australian currency unless otherwise footnoted.)

To—	From—				
	Brisbane.	Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Sydney.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane	..	149 6	..	190 6	..
Sydney	147 6	..
Melbourne	..	190 6	..	..	..
Adelaide	..	193 0	..	128 6	..
Fremantle	..	205 6	..	184 0	..
Hobart	..	(a) 176 6	..	133 6	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	..	(a) 195 0	..	117 6	..
Darwin	..	239 6	..	276 0	..
Auckland(b)	..	172 0	(c) 270 10	165 0	380 9
Wellington(b)	..	(c) 172 0	(c) 165 0	(c) 165 0	(c) 380 9
Lyttleton(b)	..	172 0	(c) 165 0	165 0	380 9
Dunedin(b)	..	172 0	(c) 270 10	165 0	380 9
New Hebrides—Vila	260 0	..	285 0
Norfolk Island	240 0	..	265 0
Papua—					
Port Moresby	..	230 0	..	230 0	..
Samarai	..	230 0	..	230 0	..
Territory of New Guinea—					
Lae and Madang	..	260 0	..	260 0	..
Rabaul	..	240 0	..	240 0	..

(a) Trans-shipped at Sydney.
Improvement Charges at 2s. 1d.

(b) Rates expressed in sterling.

(c) Plus Wellington Harbour

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Government Railways for the years 1948–49 to 1957–58 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 49, pages 5–21.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

System.	1953–54.	1954–55.	1955–56.	1956–57.	1957–58.	1958–59.
ROUTE-MILEAGE OPEN AT END OF YEAR.						
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,258	2,252	2,252
New South Wales ..	6,101	6,102	6,103	6,103	6,103	6,103
Victoria ..	4,482	4,451	4,445	4,408	4,401	4,333
Queensland(a) ..	6,560	6,553	6,456	6,456	6,456	6,426
South Australia ..	2,564	2,564	2,564	2,544	2,533	2,533
Western Australia ..	4,111	4,111	4,119	4,117	4,117	4,117
Tasmania ..	605	605	585	585	565	567
Australia ..	26,624	26,587	26,473	26,471	26,427	26,331

REVENUE TRAIN-MILES.
(‘000.)

Commonwealth ..	1,953	2,029	2,336	2,136	1,910	2,018
New South Wales ..	37,506	37,294	38,478	37,030	35,020	35,195
Victoria ..	18,303	18,740	18,635	18,544	18,353	18,426
Queensland(a) ..	19,241	19,637	19,289	20,054	19,032	19,509
South Australia ..	7,359	7,216	7,113	7,188	7,081	6,890
Western Australia ..	7,204	7,769	8,278	8,278	7,327	7,708
Tasmania ..	1,898	2,066	2,105	1,855	1,568	1,539
Australia ..	93,464	94,751	96,234	95,085	90,291	91,285

PASSENGER-JOURNEYS.(b)
(‘000.)

Commonwealth ..	224	215	230	213	238	259
New South Wales ..	278,904	281,417	280,470	263,137	258,651	254,055
Victoria ..	166,106	169,204	166,708	167,405	167,662	163,483
Queensland(a) ..	35,879	35,919	35,647	34,270	33,665	33,457
South Australia ..	17,605	16,849	16,434	17,407	17,564	16,805
Western Australia ..	8,678	10,139	12,271	13,271	14,106	14,615
Tasmania ..	3,285	3,114	2,977	2,813	2,444	2,344
Australia ..	510,681	516,857	514,737	498,516	494,330	485,018

GOODS AND LIVESTOCK CARRIED.
(‘000 Tons.)

Commonwealth ..	762	816	918	1,069	1,259	1,405
New South Wales ..	(c) 20,140	(c) 19,386	(c) 18,787	(c) 18,791	(c) 18,502	19,700
Victoria ..	9,200	10,082	9,607	9,381	8,892	9,295
Queensland(a) ..	8,081	8,492	8,180	8,453	7,766	8,373
South Australia ..	4,433	4,474	4,414	4,498	4,146	4,207
Western Australia ..	3,206	3,407	3,793	4,223	3,589	3,913
Tasmania ..	968	1,041	1,075	1,061	1,096	1,138
Australia ..	46,790	47,698	46,774	47,476	45,250	48,031

(a) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge Line (69 route-miles).

(b) Based on ticket sales, allowances being made for periodical tickets. Except in Tasmania, concession tickets are counted as full journeys.

(c) Includes an estimate for livestock.

Government Railways—continued.

System.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.
GROSS REVENUE.(a) (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	3,402	3,741	4,741	4,962	5,346	5,584
New South Wales ..	74,569	73,361	75,386	78,689	74,433	75,930
Victoria ..	35,707	37,667	37,032	37,352	35,954	38,150
Queensland(b) ..	30,223	31,625	31,312	36,678	34,636	36,169
South Australia ..	12,718	12,939	13,093	13,770	13,160	12,856
Western Australia ..	11,111	12,315	13,080	13,859	12,788	13,516
Tasmania ..	2,133	2,322	2,535	2,534	2,569	2,707
Australia ..	169,863	173,970	177,184	187,844	178,886	184,912

WORKING EXPENSES. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	2,897	2,921	3,176	3,597	3,611	3,647
New South Wales ..	68,197	68,397	74,904	75,352	72,534	71,102
Victoria ..	35,951	37,032	38,026	39,118	38,174	38,119
Queensland(b) ..	29,103	30,946	33,873	37,790	36,894	37,504
South Australia ..	14,934	15,414	15,761	15,977	15,953	15,102
Western Australia ..	14,298	14,690	15,920	17,076	16,091	16,307
Tasmania ..	2,804	3,077	3,262	3,447	3,218	3,215
Australia ..	168,184	172,477	184,922	192,357	186,475	184,996

NET REVENUE. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	505	820	1,565	1,365	1,735	1,937
New South Wales ..	6,372	4,964	482	3,337	1,899	4,828
Victoria ..	— 244	635	— 994	— 1,766	— 2,220	31
Queensland(b) ..	1,120	679	— 2,561	— 1,112	— 2,258	— 1,335
South Australia ..	— 2,216	— 2,475	— 2,663	— 2,207	— 2,793	— 2,246
Western Australia ..	— 3,187	— 2,375	— 2,840	— 3,217	— 3,303	— 2,791
Tasmania ..	— 671	— 755	— 727	— 913	— 649	— 508
Australia ..	1,679	1,493	— 7,738	— 4,513	— 7,589	— 84

RATIO OF WORKING EXPENSES TO GROSS REVENUE.
(PER CENT.)

Commonwealth ..	85.14	78.09	66.99	72.50	67.55	65.31
New South Wales ..	91.45	93.23	99.36	95.76	97.45	93.64
Victoria ..	100.68	98.31	102.68	104.73	106.17	99.92
Queensland(b) ..	96.30	97.85	108.18	103.03	106.52	103.69
South Australia ..	117.42	119.12	120.33	116.03	121.23	117.47
Western Australia ..	128.68	119.29	121.71	123.21	125.83	120.65
Tasmania ..	131.48	132.50	128.69	136.01	125.24	118.79
Australia ..	99.01	99.14	104.36	102.40	104.24	100.05

(a) Excludes Government Grants.
Uniform Gauge line (69 route-miles).

(b) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

Government Railways—continued.

The table on this page is prepared from quarterly statements supplied by each Government Railway, and figures therein are not completely comparable with those shown in preceding pages which are derived, in the main, from the Annual Reports of the Government Railways.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.(b)	Tas.	Total.
THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1958.								
Route Miles open ..	2,252	6,103	4,402	6,387	2,533	4,117	565	26,359
Train-miles '000	506	8,870	4,573	5,230	1,723	1,813	391	23,106
Revenue (c)—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, etc.) £'000	267	6,183	3,130	1,514	479	387	45	12,005
Goods, including Livestock and Minerals ..	1,104	12,352	5,336	8,552	2,444	2,462	588	32,838
Miscellaneous ..	93	137	672	(d)	196	235	18	1,351
Total Revenue(c) ..	1,464	18,672	9,138	10,066	3,119	3,084	651	46,194
Working Expenses £'000	907	17,856	9,528	9,142	(e) 3,912	3,715	735	45,795
Net Revenue .. £'000	557	816	390	924	793	631	84	399
Ratio of Working Expenses to Revenue %	61.94	95.63	104.27	90.82	125.43	120.46	112.96	99.14
Revenue per Train-mile	57s. 10d.	42s. 1d.	40s. 0d.	38s. 6d.	36s. 2d.	34s. 0d.	33s. 4d.	40s. 0d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	35s. 10d.	40s. 3d.	41s. 8d.	35s. 0d.	45s. 5d.	41s. 0d.	37s. 8d.	39s. 8d.
Passenger-journeys '000	67	64,239	42,734	9,441	4,072	3,751	583	124,887
Freight Carried—								
Livestock '000 tons	33 (f)	167	112	280	49	34	5	680
Coal and Coke ..	207		645	439	35	146		
Other Minerals ..	30	4,635	1,489	233	312	68	82	11,453
Other Goods ..	102			1,726	573	532	199	
Total Freight ..	372	4,802	2,246	2,678	969	780	236	12,133

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1959.

Route Miles open ..	2,258	6,103	4,357	6,350	2,533	4,117	567	26,285
Train-miles '000	533	9,209	4,609	5,175	1,767	2,037	400	23,730
Revenue(c)—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, etc.) £'000	262	6,132	3,485	1,365	499	411	47	12,201
Goods, including Livestock and Minerals ..	1,211	14,115	5,403	8,746	2,597	3,065	639	35,776
Miscellaneous ..	97	118	694	(d)	203	252	17	1,381
Total Revenue(c) ..	1,570	20,365	9,582	10,111	3,299	3,728	703	49,358
Working Expenses £'000	996	17,922	9,929	9,553	(e) 3,797	3,872	755	46,824
Net Revenue .. £'000	574	2,443	347	558	498	144	52	2,534
Ratio of Working Expenses to Revenue %	63.43	88.01	103.62	94.48	116.00	103.86	107.41	94.87
Revenue per Train-mile	38s. 11d.	44s. 3d.	41s. 7d.	39s. 3d.	37s. 4d.	36s. 7d.	35s. 2d.	41s. 7d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	37s. 4d.	38s. 11d.	43s. 1d.	37s. 1d.	43s. 0d.	38s. 0d.	37s. 10d.	39s. 6d.
Passenger-journeys '000	73	63,716	41,976	9,241	4,276	3,800	569	123,651
Freight Carried—								
Livestock '000 tons	36	157	111	236	58	43	6	647
Coal and Coke ..	169		609	421	35	151	77	
Other Minerals ..	62	5,423	1,537	250	296	80	8	12,646
Other Goods ..	119			1,742	675	791	201	
Total Freight ..	386	5,580	2,257	2,649	1,064	1,065	292	13,293

(a) Excludes South Brisbane—Border section of the Uniform Gauge Line (69 route-miles).

(b) Financial details include road motors. (c) Excludes Government grants. (d) Included with Coaching.

(e) Includes depreciation.

(f) Estimated.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Electric Tramways and Motor Omnibus Services for the years 1948-49 to 1957-58 appear in *Transport and Communication*, Bulletin No. 49, pages 22-28.

ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS, AND TROLLEY BUSES.

State and Year.	Route-mileage Open at 30th June.	Car-miles.	Passenger- journeys.	Gross Revenue. (a)	Working Expenses. (b)	Net Revenue.
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1958-59—						
New South Wales	48	6,940	69,320	2,745	3,299	—554
Victoria ..	166	21,319	191,543	7,153	6,589	564
Queensland ..	85	9,001	93,913	(c) 2,467	(c) 2,231	(c) 236
South Australia ..	30	2,137	10,544	447	(d)	(d)
Western Australia	29	1,314	7,357	269	390	—121
Tasmania ..	33	(e) 4,563	(e) 26,607	(e) 881	(e) 981	(e) —100
Total ..	391	(e) 45,274	e 399,284	ce 13,962	(d)	(d)
Total—1957-58	457	(e) 51,576	(e) 479,307	(ce) 15,230	(ce) 16,420	(ce) —1,190
1956-57	493	57,622	534,707	17,267	18,147	— 880
1955-56	518	58,881	593,284	15,878	18,558	—2,680
1954-55	525	60,878	619,279	15,267	17,797	—2,530
1953-54	527	64,186	637,289	15,780	18,181	—2,401

(a) Excludes Government grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Excludes particulars of the Brisbane City Council Trolley Bus Service, details of which are included with motor omnibus services. (d) Not available. (e) Includes particulars of Hobart and Launceston omnibus services of the Metropolitan Transport Trust.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICES.

State or Territory and Year.	Route-mileage at 30th June.	Omnibus-mileage.	Passenger- journeys.	Gross Revenue.(a)	Working Expenses.(b)
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1958-59—					
New South Wales ..	527	39,789	223,537	9,545	10,996
Victoria ..	52	5,920	32,242	1,329	1,458
Queensland ..	430	5,601	29,688	(c) 1,111	(c) 1,329
South Australia ..	102	9,947	49,069	2,081	(d)
Western Australia ..	3,772	13,179	39,592	1,782	1,863
Tasmania ..	728	(e) 1,119	(e) 381	(e) 206	(e) 195
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	53	988	3,560	146	207
Total ..	5,664	(e) 76,543	(e) 378,069	(ce) 16,200	(d)
Total 1957-58	4,803	(e) 62,917	(e) 323,423	(ce) 13,532	(ce) 15,280
1956-57	4,869	58,525	294,567	12,206	13,839
1955-56	4,571	57,809	333,761	9,592	12,970
1954-55	4,492	57,513	346,749	9,613	12,063
1953-54	4,612	56,894	339,578	8,853	11,387
1952-53	4,562	55,382	334,907	9,320	11,465

(a) Excludes Government grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Includes particulars of Brisbane City Council Trolley Bus Services. (d) Not available. (e) Excludes particulars of the Hobart and Launceston omnibus services of the Metropolitan Transport Trust.

NOTE:—Further details of Motor Vehicle Registrations, etc., appear in *Transport and Communication* Bulletin No. 49 and the Monthly and Annual Bulletin of Registrations of New Motor Vehicles.

Defence Service vehicles are excluded from registrations. Prior to January, 1956, Department of Navy vehicles were included.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES AND GROSS REVENUE.

State or Territory and Year.	Registrations at 30th June. (Number.)				Drivers' and Riders' Licences in Force at 30th June.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars. (a)	Commercial Vehicles, etc.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders', etc., Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						£	£	£	£
1958-59.									
New South Wales	589,692	290,695	32,575	912,962	1,227,564	10,737,378	1,272,627	3,903,958	15,913,963
Victoria(b) ..	599,292	166,577	23,489	789,358	908,343	8,869,175	574,907	2,772,981	12,217,063
Queensland ..	222,189	142,332	19,258	383,779	(c)	5,095,193	212,448	1,341,973	6,649,614
South Australia	179,627	66,329	17,078	263,034	324,606	3,605,107	394,647	101,669	4,101,423
Western Australia	118,112	67,830	13,411	199,353	239,497	2,108,839	157,137	108,514	2,374,490
Tasmania ..	60,109	24,939	3,606	88,654	102,051	1,068,763	92,569	141,037	1,302,369
Northern Territory ..	3,499	4,260	714	8,473	9,974	46,374	7,064	1,657	55,095
Australian Capital Territory ..	10,332	3,319	421	14,072	21,005	110,852	10,081	1,458	122,391
Total ..	1782852	766,281	110,552	2,659,685	22833040	31,641,681	2,721,480	8,373,247	42,736,408
1957-58	1675638	735,171	115,883	2,526,692	22703328	30,698,951	2,367,684	5,467,505	38,534,140
1956-57	1564335	707,107	119,963	2,391,405	22575896	27,378,939	2,205,412	4,802,837	34,387,188
1955-56	1467252	683,396	125,600	2,276,248	22457248	24,437,761	1,874,106	3,385,800	29,697,667
1954-55	1341996	654,674	133,029	2,129,699	22295854	22,951,527	1,757,244	3,768,924	28,472,695
1953-54	1195133	611,580	140,614	1,947,327	22148119	20,450,179	1,579,110	4,382,204	26,411,493

(a) Includes hire cars and taxis.

(b) See note (a) in table below.

(c) Not available.

(d) Excludes Queensland.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS. (Number.)

Vehicles and Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.									
Motor Cars(b) ..	611,466	625,765	232,456	187,052	123,293	62,990	3,869	11,494	1,858,385
Commercial Vehicles, etc.	304,870	169,671	145,539	67,150	69,208	25,481	4,391	3,516	789,826
Motor Cycles ..	31,273	22,732	18,508	16,782	13,559	3,419	691	416	107,330
Total ..	947,609	818,168	396,503	270,934	206,060	91,890	8,951	15,426	2,755,541
At 30th June, 1959 ..	912,962	789,358	383,779	263,034	199,353	88,654	8,473	14,072	2,659,685
" " " 1958 ..	859,413	747,834	365,189	259,783	189,636	84,920	7,761	12,206	2,526,692
" " " 1957 ..	807,088	708,582	345,084	250,207	182,944	80,000	6,657	10,843	2,391,405
" " " 1956 ..	762,950	677,916	326,555	238,701	178,353	76,153	5,547	10,073	2,276,248
" " " 1955 ..	709,036	629,147	307,721	229,502	168,787	71,673	4,999	8,834	2,129,699

(a) Registration in Victoria is according to purpose of use and not type of vehicle; consequently motor car registrations are overstated by the inclusion of commercial vehicles registered for private use.

(b) Includes hire cars and taxis.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES. (Number.)

Vehicles and Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.									
Motor Cars(b) ..	35,225	37,895	12,736	10,260	6,790	3,283	256	863	107,308
Commercial Vehicles, etc.	22,062	8,317	6,393	3,056	3,118	1,092	205	235	44,478
Motor Cycles ..	1,058	1,046	742	746	1,056	64	11	45	4,768
Total ..	58,345	47,258	19,871	14,062	10,964	4,439	472	1,143	156,554
Total 1958-59 ..	95,349	73,191	33,840	23,965	17,600	7,651	780	2,187	254,563
1957-58 ..	87,712	71,773	32,845	23,333	17,412	7,505	728	1,671	242,979
1956-57 ..	76,895	63,423	30,620	22,832	14,931	7,629	736	1,251	218,317
1955-56 ..	85,039	72,753	32,689	25,896	16,462	8,425	620	1,556	243,440
1954-55 ..	84,554	69,243	34,116	27,248	19,677	8,483	588	1,362	245,271

(a) See Note (a) in table above.

(b) Includes hire cars and taxis.

NOTE.—Particulars of New Motor Vehicles registered, as shown above, are compiled by the Registration Authorities in each State, and because of the factors referred to in note (a) and for other reasons, differ from those published in the Monthly Bulletin of Registrations of New Motor Vehicles and the Monthly Press Statement.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Civil Aviation for the years 1948-49 to 1957-58 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 49, pages 29-33.

CIVIL AVIATION.

Australian Registrations, Licences, Aerodromes, Etc.

Particulars.	At 30th June.				At 30th September.	
	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
Registered Aircraft Owners	437	485	570	642	584	665
Registered Aircraft	934	1,054	1,180	1,246	1,198	1,276
Pilots' Licences—						
Private	2,453	2,592	2,628	2,801	2,653	2,908
Student	3,272	3,397	3,493	3,465	3,538	3,496
Commercial	665	829	963	1,057	1,003	1,063
Airline Transport	1,003	1,027	1,045	1,041	1,051	1,033
Flight Navigators' Licence	177	187	176	177	176	170
Radio Operators' Licences	1,461	1,643	1,886	2,259	2,042	2,353
Flight Engineers' Licences	94	116	176	189	179	197
Aircraft Maintenance Engineers' Licences	1,818	1,915	2,016	2,266	2,045	2,312
Aerodromes—(a)						
Government	188	169	168	168	168	162
Licensed	301	313	311	304	312	305
Flying Boat Bases and Alighting Areas(a)	13	13	13	13	13	13

(a) Excludes Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

Australian Airline Operations, Etc.

Particulars.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.	Three months ended 30th September.	
					1958.	1959.

REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES.

Hours flown	No.	251,900	251,139	237,981	229,396	60,423	58,334
Miles flown	'000.	43,701	42,120	40,533	40,237	10,465	11,024
Paying passengers	No.	2,020,380	2,125,338	2,122,794	2,235,070	523,967	640,151
Paying passenger-miles	'000.	827,885	891,196	898,542	944,379	227,575	283,217
Freight—							
Tons(a) .. ..	..	84,446	75,092	70,003	62,755	17,085	17,369
Ton-miles(a)	'000.	38,909	36,330	32,987	28,841	7,802	7,731
Mail—							
Tons(a) .. ..	..	2,478	2,514	2,642	2,727	769	787
Ton-miles(a)	'000.	1,357	1,404	1,446	1,472	434	446

OVERSEA SERVICES.(b)

Unduplicated route miles	No.	(c) 58,618	(c) 62,675	(c) 71,729	(c) 74,704	(d) 71,729	(d) 76,125
Hours flown .. ..	..	50,665	56,939	63,917	68,811	17,022	16,138
Miles flown	'000.	12,023	13,614	15,267	16,486	4,003	4,091
Paying passengers	No.	131,934	155,618	164,634	176,120	40,837	46,227
Paying-passenger-miles	'000.	383,930	476,831	501,388	534,728	141,856	150,719
Freight—							
Tons(a) .. ..	..	2,990	2,957	3,205	3,431	919	1,000
Ton-miles(a)	'000.	10,494	11,203	12,051	15,381	3,603	4,791
Mail—							
Tons(a) .. ..	..	1,491	1,622	1,749	1,647	508	416
Ton-miles(a)	'000.	8,458	9,450	9,789	8,834	2,154	2,082

AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT(e) ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES.

Number .. ..	..	31	37	35	39	9	6
Persons Killed .. ..	..	22	24	28	21	2	1
Persons Injured .. ..	..	27	36	31	30	9	6

(a) In terms of short tons (2,000 lb.). (b) Airlines wholly owned or partly owned by Australian interests. (c) At 30th June. (d) At 30th September. (e) Aircraft on Australian Register and gliders irrespective of location of accident.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones for the years 1948–49 to 1957–58 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 49, on pages 54–69. Further details of Road Traffic Accidents are included on pages 36–42 of that Bulletin.

TELEPHONES—LINES AND INSTRUMENTS CONNECTED. (Number.)

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 31st December.	
	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	1958.	1959.
Lines connected ..	1,206,625	1,278,871	1,361,924	1,442,955	1,404,375	1,486,772
Instruments connected ..	1,703,622	1,814,430	1,936,960	2,056,447	1,998,704	2,122,251

BROADCASTING—LISTENERS' LICENCES.

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1954 ..	769,478	545,148	287,683	220,065	148,192	71,047	2,041,613
" " 1955 ..	746,050	549,690	293,542	223,593	150,199	71,602	2,034,676
" " 1956 ..	776,284	554,339	301,371	228,625	153,445	74,729	2,088,793
" " 1957 ..	777,072	554,909	312,527	234,120	155,166	73,459	2,107,253
" " 1958 ..	784,897	557,960	320,626	238,916	159,551	75,915	2,137,865
" " 1959 ..	827,453	605,340	337,760	247,468	169,272	76,419	2,263,712
31st Dec., 1959 ..	819,472	593,355	336,351	249,540	171,070	77,085	2,246,873

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

TELEVISION—VIEWERS' LICENCES.

In force at last day of—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
March, 1958 ..	106,085	114,097	..	..	..	39	220,221
June, 1958 ..	143,422	147,721	..	..	..	43	291,186
September, 1958 ..	198,522	191,492	..	..	..	45	390,059
December, 1958 ..	232,473	222,172	..	..	..	51	454,696
March, 1959 ..	262,606	243,013	..	..	..	70	505,689
June, 1959 ..	300,871	270,073	360	6,124	..	74	577,502
September, 1959 ..	333,135	289,569	11,647	17,277	2,712	84	654,424
December, 1959 ..	358,544	307,950	27,590	34,060	9,621	90	737,855

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.(a) (Reported to the Police.)

State or Territory, and Period.	Accidents in- volving Casual- ties.	Persons Killed.			Persons Injured.		
		Number.	Per Million of Popu- lation.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.	Number.	Per Million of Popu- lation.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1959.							
New South Wales	15,216	833	224	94	19,854	5,329	2,240
Victoria	12,462	661	238	86	16,784	6,047	2,184
Queensland	5,603	333	234	89	7,700	5,400	2,056
South Australia	3,984	185	204	71	5,183	5,706	1,983
Western Australia	3,450	178	250	92	4,506	6,326	2,317
Tasmania	791	68	199	78	990	2,901	1,141
Australian Capital Territory	260	6	138	46	342	7,875	2,603
Total	41,766	2,264	228	88	55,359	5,573	2,141
Year 1958-59(b)	41,766	2,264	228	88	55,359	5,573	2,141
" 1957-58(b)	41,170	2,147	221	87	54,193	5,368	2,129
" 1956-57(b)	39,066	2,113	222	90	50,450	5,301	2,158
" 1955-56(b)	37,766	2,119	228	96	48,773	5,245	2,200
" 1954-55(b)	36,602	2,042	225	99	46,465	5,121	2,264

(a) Refers to those accidents (reported to the police) which occurred in public thoroughfares and which resulted in death or in bodily injury to any person to an extent requiring medical or surgical treatment.

(b) Excludes the Northern Territory.

SECTION VI.—RETAIL SALES.

TOTAL RETAIL SALES OF GOODS—STATES.

(Figures from 1952-53 inclusive adjusted on a Basis Comparable with the 1956-57 Retail Census.)

The figures in the following tables relate to the retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards). The figures for the years 1947-48, 1948-49, 1952-53 and 1956-57 were obtained from Censuses taken in respect of those years whereas figures for the other periods shown are estimates based on sample surveys. The figures in the table below exclude Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.

(£ million.)¹

Period.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(a)
Year—							
1947-48 ..	335.8	234.6	110.7	67.6	55.2	25.3	829.2
1948-49 ..	388.5	272.0	128.4	79.5	64.7	29.1	962.2
1949-50 ..	442.0	315.3	146.1	91.6	76.3	34.1	1,105.4
1950-51 ..	553.8	389.2	177.9	113.7	94.4	41.8	1,370.8
1951-52 ..	648.5	454.7	210.2	133.8	117.1	51.3	1,615.6
1952-53 ..	673.2	476.1	224.8	143.5	126.4	54.9	1,698.9
1953-54 ..	726.6	514.5	243.7	155.5	139.1	58.7	1,838.1
1954-55 ..	797.7	560.4	270.0	170.8	146.9	63.1	2,008.9
1955-56 ..	853.8	607.0	286.9	184.0	152.5	67.2	2,151.4
1956-57 ..	885.6	644.4	302.5	191.8	155.8	69.9	2,250.0
1957-58 ..	932.8	669.9	313.8	194.1	163.5	69.8	2,343.9
1958-59(b) ..	961.1	708.9	327.5	206.1	164.8	75.1	2,443.5
Quarter—							
1956-57—							
September ..	213.4	151.1	73.8	45.8	36.4	16.6	537.1
December ..	243.0	180.1	83.4	53.1	41.6	19.4	620.6
March ..	208.5	153.3	70.8	45.5	38.4	16.7	533.2
June ..	220.7	159.9	74.5	47.4	39.4	17.2	559.1
1957-58—							
September ..	221.9	158.5	76.3	46.3	38.1	16.3	557.4
December ..	258.5	185.1	86.4	53.6	44.4	19.5	647.5
March ..	223.3	159.2	74.2	46.3	40.4	16.7	560.1
June ..	229.1	167.1	76.9	47.9	40.6	17.3	578.9
1958-59—(b)							
September ..	230.9	170.7	78.9	48.2	38.1	18.0	584.8
December ..	267.4	194.9	89.0	56.5	44.7	20.8	673.3
March ..	225.2	167.1	77.4	48.8	40.1	17.8	576.4
June ..	237.6	176.2	82.2	52.6	41.9	18.5	609.0
1959-60—(b)							
September ..	244.0	178.1	85.2	53.5	40.8	18.3	619.9
December ..	281.8	207.1	96.6	63.2	47.8	21.4	717.9

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Subject to revision.

TOTAL RETAIL SALES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS-AUSTRALIA.(a)

(Adjusted on a Basis Comparable with the 1956-57 Retail Census.)

(\$ million.)

Commodity Groups.	Year.							Quarter.		
	1952-53. (b)	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57. (b)	1957-58.	1958-59. (c)	Dec., 1958.(c)	Sept., 1959.(c)	Dec., 1959.(c)
Groceries	261.4	275.0	302.0	328.7	343.9	358.3	376.7	98.9	96.8	104.0
Butchers' Meat	127.4	133.9	146.9	158.7	170.4	170.8	177.8	44.4	47.2	46.4
Other Food (d)	206.6	223.5	246.5	269.2	282.7	294.5	312.3	81.4	78.9	87.6
Total Food and Groceries	595.4	632.4	695.4	756.6	797.0	823.6	866.8	224.7	222.9	238.0
Beer, Wine and Spirits (e)	173.0	186.7	204.3	222.1	237.7	248.2	245.0	67.2	58.7	70.1
Clothing and Drapery	306.1	387.6	419.3	433.3	380.8	451.0	403.3	117.3	101.0	124.9
Footwear	49.0							18.7	16.7	20.5
Hardware, China and Glassware (f)	112.1	122.9	136.1	144.5	145.1	146.2	159.0	45.3	39.9	47.9
Electrical Goods and Radios (g)	75.9	91.2	99.2	104.8	113.5	138.3	156.2	45.3	42.3	51.1
Furniture and Floor Coverings	72.8	81.0	86.4	91.8	92.6	97.6	99.0	27.8	27.1	31.5
Chemists' Goods	50.8	336.3	368.2	398.3	76.9	69.3	94.6	25.5	24.1	27.4
Newspapers, Books and Stationery	53.1							21.3	18.3	22.8
Other Goods (h)	210.7							80.2	68.9	83.7
Total (excluding Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.)	1,698.9	1,838.1	2,008.9	2,151.4	2,250.0	2,343.9	2,443.5	673.3	619.9	717.9
Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (i)	419.2	494.1	571.7	613.5	632.5	685.8	742.4	195.2	200.8	228.5

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Census figures. (c) Subject to revision. (d) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (e) Excludes retail sales made by licensed clubs, canteens, etc. (f) Excludes basic building materials (e.g., timber, building sheets, tiles, joinery, cement). (g) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (h) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc. (i) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

RETAIL SALES : HIRE PURCHASE OPERATIONS OF FINANCE BUSINESSES.

The statistics in the following tables relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves. Agreements originally made between retailers and customers, and subsequently assigned to finance businesses are excluded from the particulars of agreements made during each quarter, but, from the time of assignment, are included in the figures for balances outstanding.

Balances Outstanding at end of each Quarter.(a)

(Including Hiring Charges and Insurance.)
(£'000.)

As at—	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1957—30th September ..	88,440	67,831	37,962	25,800	15,982	8,985	245,000
31st December ..	96,187	74,557	40,286	27,454	17,470	9,457	265,411
1958—31st March ..	102,871	79,582	41,266	27,898	18,155	9,798	279,570
30th June ..	111,320	85,020	42,483	28,761	19,052	9,932	296,568
30th September ..	119,858	89,915	44,361	29,719	19,605	10,109	313,567
31st December ..	130,332	96,558	47,472	31,867	21,201	10,665	338,095
1959—31st March ..	134,336	98,247	48,488	32,143	20,526	10,609	344,349
30th June ..	140,518	100,359	49,451	32,862	20,779	10,546	354,515
30th September ..	146,493	103,660	51,836	34,576	21,407	10,819	368,791
31st December ..	157,142	113,019	56,629	38,136	23,633	11,537	400,096

(a) Balances outstanding on existing agreements entered into at any time. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

Agreements Made during Three months ended 31st December, 1959.

Particulars of Agreements.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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MOTOR VEHICLES.

Number of Agreements ..	42,613	35,401	18,741	11,924	8,196	4,323	121,198
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	33,385	28,573	12,906	8,428	5,974	3,041	92,307
Amount Financed(d) £'000	21,049	18,744	7,792	5,311	3,745	1,890	58,531

PLANT AND MACHINERY.

Number of Agreements ..	3,547	2,818	1,733	800	1,020	231	10,149
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	2,943	1,915	1,511	516	1,110	174	8,169
Amount Financed(d) £'000	1,895	1,287	980	337	696	112	5,307

HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.

Number of Agreements ..	94,107	51,527	49,338	29,963	12,243	4,583	241,761
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	9,137	5,405	4,343	3,200	1,244	398	23,727
Amount Financed(d) £'000	7,598	4,418	3,571	2,707	1,000	310	19,604

TOTAL (ALL GOODS).

Number of Agreements ..	140,267	89,746	69,812	42,687	21,459	9,137	373,108
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	45,465	35,893	18,760	12,144	8,328	3,613	124,203
Amount Financed(d) £'000	30,542	24,449	12,343	8,355	5,441	2,312	83,442

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

Retail Sales: Hire Purchase Operations of Finance Businesses—continued.

Agreements Made during each Quarter: Australia.

Period.	Number of Agreements.	Value of Goods.(a)		Amount Financed.(b)		Average Proportion of Hire Purchase Sale Financed. (b)
		Total.	Average per Agreement.	Total.	Average per Agreement.	
		£'000.	£	£'000.	£	%

MOTOR VEHICLES.

Quarterly Average—						
1957-58	89,547	64,415	719	39,362	440	61
1958-59	98,800	71,298	722	44,247	448	62
Quarterly Total—						
1958—December ..	106,673	77,753	729	48,418	454	62
1959—March	90,488	64,555	713	40,119	443	62
June	99,800	73,009	732	45,630	457	62
September	108,617	78,270	721	49,454	455	63
December	121,198	92,307	762	58,531	483	63

PLANT AND MACHINERY.

Quarterly Average—						
1957-58	5,612	3,958	705	2,548	454	64
1958-59	7,778	5,493	706	3,520	453	64
Quarterly Total—						
1958—December ..	9,272	7,273	784	4,644	501	64
1959—March	7,329	4,922	672	3,092	422	63
June	7,999	5,318	665	3,426	428	64
September	7,610	5,135	675	3,345	440	65
December	10,149	8,169	805	5,307	523	65

HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.

Quarterly Average—						
1957-58	203,848	20,894	102	16,943	83	81
1958-59	208,897	20,835	100	17,129	82	82
Quarterly Total—						
1958—December ..	231,660	22,548	97	18,541	80	82
1959—March	204,824	19,790	97	16,270	79	82
June	193,680	19,197	99	15,864	82	83
September	196,212	19,689	100	16,204	83	82
December	241,761	23,727	98	19,604	81	83

TOTAL (ALL GOODS).

Quarterly Average—						
1957-58	299,007	89,267	299	58,853	197	66
1958-59	315,475	97,626	309	64,896	206	66
Quarterly Total—						
1958—December ..	347,605	107,574	309	71,603	206	67
1959—March	302,641	89,267	295	59,481	197	67
June	301,479	97,524	323	64,920	215	67
September	312,439	103,094	330	69,003	221	67
December	373,108	124,203	333	83,442	224	67

(a) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(b) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

SECTION VII.—PRIVATE FINANCE.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

Average Liabilities within Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Inter- minable Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Circu- lation.	Balances due to other Banks. (b)	Bills Payable and all other Lia- bilities.	Total Lia- bilities.	
		Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.					
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.									
1954-55	..	130,909	43,549	174,458	..	309	16,148	190,915	
1955-56	..	135,617	46,243	181,860	..	314	17,496	199,670	
1956-57	..	140,125	44,423	184,548	..	339	18,160	203,097	
1957-58	..	150,220	54,837	205,057	..	422	19,523	225,002	
1958-59	..	159,071	67,705	226,776	..	417	21,623	248,816	
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958	..	162,846	67,518	230,364	..	430	22,338	253,132	
March, 1959	..	158,136	67,454	225,590	..	477	21,072	247,139	
June,	163,113	69,538	232,651	..	364	22,269	255,284	
September,	165,443	73,192	238,635	..	350	24,514	263,499	
December,	179,629	72,040	251,669	..	381	24,881	276,931	
Month of—									
October, 1959	..	170,740	74,230	244,970	..	362	25,576	270,908	
November,	179,011	74,462	253,473	..	363	23,907	277,743	
December,	189,138	67,427	256,565	..	418	25,160	282,143	
PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.									
1954-55	..	91,047,677	262,986	1,310,663	158	3,282	16,432	1,330,544	
1955-56	..	61,032,332	263,107	1,295,439	158	6,528	16,913	1,319,044	
1956-57	..	61,028,509	299,499	1,328,008	158	7,343	18,685	1,354,200	
1957-58	..	61,045,881	345,415	1,391,296	157	5,561	18,505	1,415,525	
1958-59	..	61,007,798	368,514	1,376,312	157	4,121	20,495	1,401,091	
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958	..	61,004,275	366,941	1,371,216	157	3,452	21,555	1,396,386	
March, 1959	..	61,046,047	371,786	1,417,833	157	4,077	22,695	1,444,768	
June,	61,021,548	371,834	1,393,382	157	4,300	19,997	1,417,842	
September,	51,001,939	383,904	1,385,843	157	3,249	20,789	1,410,043	
December,	51,067,737	389,980	1,457,717	157	3,952	24,269	1,486,100	
Month of—									
October, 1959	..	51,039,859	391,852	1,431,711	157	3,481	22,721	1,458,075	
November,	51,065,614	391,608	1,457,222	157	4,659	24,600	1,486,643	
December,	51,097,736	386,481	1,484,217	157	3,716	25,486	1,513,581	
OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.									
1954-55	..	20,520	41,415	16,069	57,484	..	554	461	79,019
1955-56	..	20,569	39,726	16,359	56,085	..	1,536	484	78,874
1956-57	..	20,472	41,317	16,946	58,263	..	1,372	586	80,698
1957-58	..	20,724	42,013	20,311	62,324	..	1,384	790	85,222
1958-59	..	21,854	40,189	24,694	64,883	..	1,055	1,108	88,900
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958	..	21,643	37,252	24,817	62,069	..	1,203	1,053	85,968
March, 1959	..	21,988	43,246	24,268	67,514	..	914	1,206	91,622
June,	22,414	44,214	24,861	69,075	..	1,075	953	93,517
September,	22,480	42,032	28,058	70,090	..	1,048	1,018	94,645
December,	22,739	42,818	27,925	70,743	..	864	1,028	95,374
Month of—									
October, 1959	..	22,747	41,587	28,012	69,599	..	789	1,126	94,261
November,	22,836	42,906	28,099	71,005	..	748	947	95,536
December,	22,633	43,959	27,665	71,624	..	1,055	1,013	96,325
ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.									
1954-55	..	20,520	1,220,001	322,604	1,542,605	158	4,145	33,041	1,600,478
1955-56	..	20,575	1,207,675	325,709	1,533,884	158	8,378	34,893	1,597,388
1956-57	..	20,478	1,209,951	360,868	1,570,819	158	9,104	37,431	1,637,990
1957-58	..	20,730	1,238,114	420,563	1,658,677	157	7,367	38,818	1,725,749
1958-59	..	21,860	1,207,058	460,913	1,667,971	157	5,593	43,226	1,738,807
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958	..	21,649	1,204,373	459,276	1,663,649	157	5,085	44,946	1,735,486
March, 1959	..	21,994	1,247,429	463,508	1,710,937	157	5,468	44,973	1,783,529
June,	22,420	1,228,875	466,233	1,695,108	157	5,739	43,219	1,766,643
September,	22,494	1,209,414	485,154	1,694,568	157	4,647	46,321	1,768,187
December,	22,744	1,290,184	489,945	1,780,129	157	5,197	50,178	1,858,405
Month of—									
October, 1959	..	22,752	1,252,186	494,094	1,746,280	157	4,632	49,423	1,823,244
November,	22,841	1,287,531	494,169	1,781,700	157	5,770	49,454	1,859,922
December,	22,638	1,330,838	481,573	1,812,406	157	5,189	51,659	1,892,049

(a) Averages of liabilities at close of business on Wednesdays in periods.

(b) Includes short-term loans from Central Bank.

Cheque-paying Banks—continued.
Average Assets within Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.		Cash and Cash Balances. (b)	Special Account with C'wealth Bank.	Balances with other Banks. (c)	Commonwealth and State Government Securities.		Other Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	All other Assets. (d)	Total Assets.
					Treasury Bills.	Other.				
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.										
1954-55	--	10,456	36,061	870	12,260	38,165	1,606	89,138	5,675	194,231
1955-56	--	10,213	33,155	1,238	6,333	38,599	1,824	103,894	6,815	202,071
1956-57	--	9,988	34,603	1,469	4,059	35,714	2,654	106,480	7,305	202,272
1957-58	--	10,829	40,193	1,596	5,500	46,476	3,313	107,815	7,594	223,316
1958-59	--	11,307	36,450	1,590	4,137	56,677	3,714	122,499	9,251	245,625
Quarter ended—										
December, 1958	--	11,515	37,712	1,728	5,615	59,748	3,667	122,403	7,827	250,215
March, 1959	--	11,865	36,233	1,563	2,542	55,432	3,688	123,608	9,940	244,871
June, "	--	10,577	34,650	1,812	1,692	61,034	3,699	124,327	11,816	249,607
September, "	--	11,781	36,293	1,661	3,571	61,743	3,689	130,041	9,891	258,670
December, "	--	13,336	39,217	1,917	4,098	64,331	3,636	132,670	9,710	268,915
Month of—										
October, 1959	--	12,751	36,950	1,858	4,125	66,344	3,638	130,656	9,058	265,380
November, "	--	11,321	39,050	1,772	4,937	66,344	3,629	131,555	9,827	268,435
December, "	--	15,935	41,650	2,122	3,231	60,304	3,641	135,799	10,246	272,929

PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.									
1954-55	66,908	269,117	18,436	51,602	120,239	5,113	776,762	48,925	1,357,102
1955-56	66,883	238,803	19,672	50,015	113,121	6,695	804,892	56,042	1,355,623
1956-57	63,661	254,052	20,239	51,162	151,298	7,946	762,638	58,363	1,369,359
1957-58	59,805	287,399	18,254	39,027	176,152	13,284	774,302	62,794	1,431,017
1958-59	58,263	222,809	18,794	38,309	193,546	16,676	807,028	71,896	1,427,321
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958 ..	60,918	226,841	19,565	36,385	171,898	17,098	821,945	65,387	1,420,037
March, 1959	59,581	219,570	18,249	70,646	231,201	16,982	778,148	70,504	1,465,151
June, "	53,264	214,903	20,759	28,173	229,488	16,535	787,396	86,970	1,437,488
September, " ..	55,474	213,260	20,442	23,143	218,645	17,253	803,030	88,591	1,439,838
December, " ..	59,199	227,003	22,634	24,833	247,988	17,229	812,673	92,518	1,504,027
Month of—									
October, 1959 ..	54,770	212,603	20,851	30,000	244,534	17,203	814,568	93,727	1,488,256
November, " ..	55,155	225,503	22,128	25,000	249,837	17,248	817,178	92,080	1,504,129
December, " ..	67,672	242,903	24,921	19,500	249,443	17,238	806,274	91,747	1,519,698

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.									
1954-55	4,586	1,108	2,193	5,641	13,295	1,378	72,189	4,923	105,318
1955-56	3,902	883	1,588	4,119	13,816	817	75,825	5,332	106,372
1956-57	3,857	788	2,267	3,906	15,068	825	77,697	5,599	110,007
1957-58	3,804	745	2,512	4,145	14,532	1,283	81,149	6,192	114,362
1958-59	3,615	606	2,920	824	14,400	4,012	85,819	8,216	120,412
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958 ..	4,054	606	2,884	500	13,388	3,734	85,780	6,741	117,687
March, 1959	4,131	606	3,383	1,729	15,022	4,427	86,084	8,600	123,982
June, "	2,868	606	2,908	635	15,673	4,012	86,819	11,129	125,547
September, " ..	3,107	606	2,433	518	15,630	3,968	86,966	13,305	126,533
December, " ..	2,976	599	2,648	625	15,417	4,196	88,040	13,179	127,680
Month of—									
October, 1959 ..	3,088	606	2,426	375	15,384	3,754	87,851	13,249	126,733
November, " ..	2,853	606	2,957	963	15,387	4,297	87,755	13,291	128,109
December, " ..	2,989	586	2,561	538	15,482	4,534	88,514	12,994	128,198

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.									
1954-55	81,950	306,286	21,504	69,503	171,699	8,097	938,089	59,523	1,656,651
1955-56	81,088	278,341	22,493	60,467	165,536	9,336	934,111	63,189	1,664,066
1956-57	77,506	286,444	23,075	59,127	202,080	11,424	946,815	71,267	1,681,638
1957-58	74,438	328,337	22,362	48,672	237,160	17,880	933,266	76,580	1,768,695
1958-59	73,185	259,865	23,304	43,270	264,623	24,402	1,015,346	89,363	1,793,358
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958 ..	76,487	265,159	24,177	42,500	245,034	24,499	1,030,128	79,955	1,787,939
March, 1959	75,847	256,409	23,195	74,917	301,655	25,097	987,840	89,044	1,834,004
June, "	66,709	250,159	25,479	30,500	306,195	25,146	998,542	109,912	1,812,642
September, " ..	70,362	250,159	24,536	27,232	296,018	24,910	1,020,037	111,787	1,825,041
December, " ..	75,511	266,819	27,199	29,556	327,686	25,061	1,033,383	115,407	1,900,622
Month of—									
October, 1959 ..	70,609	250,159	25,135	34,500	326,262	24,595	1,033,075	116,034	1,880,369
November, " ..	69,329	265,159	26,857	30,900	331,568	25,174	1,036,488	115,198	1,900,673
December, " ..	86,507	285,139	29,604	23,269	325,229	25,413	1,030,587	114,987	1,920,825

(a) Averages of assets at close of business on Wednesdays in periods. (b) Coin, bullion, Australian notes and cash with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes notes, cheques and bills of other banks. (d) Includes "loans to authorized dealers in the short term money market".

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments—Average Weekly Assets.
(£'000.)

Period.		Advances.				Treasury Bills.	Commonwealth and State Government Securities.	
		Rural Credits Department.	Mortgage Bank Department.	Industrial Finance Department.				Total.
				Hire Purchase.	Other.			
1954-55	..	62,816	4,837	17,015	6,717	90,885	748	2,146
1955-56	..	73,751	5,068	16,570	9,031	104,420	597	3,022
1956-57	..	56,645	5,141	16,468	9,391	87,645	503	4,195
1957-58	..	33,664	5,508	16,030	9,431	64,633	483	4,907
1958-59	..	46,732	5,950	17,365	9,125	79,172	108	4,841
Quarter ended—								
December, 1958	..	12,227	5,935	17,660	9,037	44,859	81	4,709
March, 1959	..	66,778	5,986	17,843	8,942	99,549	121	4,596
June, ..	..	86,380	6,043	17,452	9,404	119,279	62	4,897
September, ..	..	57,872	6,192	17,404	9,742	91,210	68	4,397
December, ..	..	34,062	6,364	18,024	10,013	68,463	100	3,900
Month of—								
October, 1959	..	40,473	6,317	17,610	9,955	74,355	112	4,219
November, ..	..	34,120	6,377	18,055	10,014	68,566	63	3,921
December, ..	..	27,592	6,399	18,408	10,069	62,468	125	3,561

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Central Banking Business (Including Note Issue Department).(a)
(£A'000.)

Period.	Notes on Issue.			Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Liabilities (excluding Capital and Reserve Funds).	Gold and Balances Held Abroad.	Govern- ment and Other Securities (includ- ing Treas- ury Bills).
	Held by—		Total.					
	Banks.	Public.						
1954-55	..	40,913	316,110	357,023	306,286	36,795	243,468	459,839
1955-56	..	42,965	331,131	374,096	272,841	35,630	208,717	298,885
1956-57	..	44,863	338,351	383,214	289,444	31,345	205,917	349,663
1957-58	..	45,671	343,873	389,544	328,337	25,602	218,393	471,721
1958-59	..	47,225	348,794	396,019	259,865	24,189	232,866	411,509
Quarter ended—								
December, 1958	..	48,493	352,460	400,953	265,159	24,856	226,932	397,507
March, 1959	..	48,373	348,051	396,424	256,409	25,283	229,520	405,775
June,	47,623	348,810	396,433	250,159	18,966	248,329	428,448
September,	46,431	353,669	400,100	250,159	24,555	240,345	419,782
December,	51,502	363,955	415,457	266,819	23,280	247,514	438,449
Month of—								
October, 1959	..	47,679	358,778	406,457	250,159	21,914	243,642	429,449
November,	48,279	361,053	409,332	265,159	22,075	248,261	437,345
December,	58,546	372,036	430,582	285,139	25,850	250,639	448,555

(a) Averages of weekly figures.

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.
(£'000.)

Denomination.	28th Dec., 1955.	26th Dec., 1956.	25th Dec., 1957.	31st Dec., 1958.	23rd Oct., 1959.	25th Nov., 1959.	30th Dec., 1959.
10s.	11,241	11,717	12,119	12,435	11,714	11,881	12,819
£1	75,106	79,318	77,044	74,772	68,950	69,441	75,843
£5	205,005	192,670	197,240	195,471	182,175	183,636	204,961
£10	121,939	147,391	151,902	152,948	142,272	143,575	162,293
£20	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
£50	47	44	43	37	35	35	34
£100	50	49	47	41	39	39	38
£1,000	611	1,276	733	342	769	847	966
Held by Banks ..	54,935	52,072	54,740	58,114	46,874	47,904	66,025
„ „ Public ..	359,068	380,397	384,392	377,935	359,083	361,553	390,932
Total	414,003	432,469	439,132	436,049	405,957	409,457	456,957

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.

(£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
ALL SAVINGS BANKS.(a)									
June—									
1955 ..	358,645	364,748	124,814	131,692	53,629	35,809	1,482	2,575	1,073,394
1956 ..	386,554	386,176	132,700	135,756	57,934	37,211	1,656	3,010	1,140,997
1957 ..	422,184	411,569	144,603	142,401	62,693	38,759	1,894	3,302	1,227,410
1958 ..	449,018	433,631	153,244	148,858	65,948	40,241	2,098	3,805	1,296,843
1959 ..	488,273	458,454	166,653	157,152	71,499	42,462	2,239	4,600	1,391,332
Dec., 1958	465,668	443,915	161,327	150,643	68,231	41,337	2,173	4,152	1,337,446
Mar., 1959	473,001	445,780	160,630	152,559	69,092	41,799	2,090	4,352	1,349,303
June, "	488,273	458,454	166,653	157,152	71,499	42,462	2,239	4,600	1,391,332
Sept., "	505,331	473,903	173,823	160,806	74,549	44,127	2,451	4,841	1,439,331
Oct., "	510,698	478,051	175,825	161,925	75,418	44,273	2,513	4,948	1,453,651
Nov., "	513,649	480,582	176,272	162,931	75,684	44,595	2,522	4,986	1,461,221
Dec., "	514,859	480,404	175,691	162,199	75,321	44,554	2,478	5,016	1,460,522

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

June—									
1955 ..	358,645	104,597	124,814	30,547	53,629	13,764	1,482	2,575	690,053
1956 ..	363,711	110,215	126,998	31,880	54,295	14,312	4,384		705,795
1957 ..	363,406	114,542	129,816	33,590	53,697	15,252	4,470		714,773
1958 ..	367,439	117,805	132,545	35,222	53,613	16,119	4,820		727,563
1959 ..	380,962	122,577	138,924	37,374	54,987	17,020	5,364		757,208
Dec., 1958	370,957	119,132	136,829	36,067	53,894	16,458	5,075		738,412
Mar., 1959	371,820	119,287	134,755	36,149	53,590	16,576	5,113		737,323
June, "	380,962	122,577	138,924	37,374	54,987	17,020	5,364		757,208
Sept., "	388,083	125,759	143,033	38,426	56,197	17,394	5,598		774,490
Oct., "	390,919	126,803	144,158	38,710	56,636	17,399	5,723		780,348
Nov., "	391,625	127,286	144,038	38,739	56,672	17,508	5,771		781,639
Dec., "	390,258	127,204	143,004	38,608	55,976	17,376	5,752		778,178

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

NOTE.—Sales of War Savings and Savings Certificates were discontinued after 31st January, 1949, except for sales to wind up savings groups, etc. The net amount outstanding at the end of June, 1959, was £10,637,000.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE WEEKLY DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS.(a)

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at Capital City Branches.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
1954-55 ..	187,471	176,147	53,873	36,287	26,247	10,716	821	491,562
1955-56 ..	200,852	185,369	56,028	39,564	26,918	11,615	1,025	521,371
1956-57 ..	219,368	195,455	62,743	42,685	28,571	12,609	1,229	562,660
1957-58 ..	230,335	207,059	65,655	44,276	30,215	12,930	1,533	592,003
1958-59 ..	248,904	224,729	70,253	46,180	30,731	13,830	1,979	636,606
Quarter ended—								
December, 1958	260,779	235,109	74,269	47,510	31,169	14,309	1,843	664,988
March, 1959	239,678	218,785	66,216	46,530	34,219	12,832	1,851	620,111
September, "	272,169	243,444	76,884	49,479	31,676	14,727	2,377	690,756
June, "	260,231	235,652	71,192	48,157	30,025	15,179	2,283	662,719
December, "	300,398	276,993	82,347	54,991	35,921	15,808	2,626	769,079
Month of—								
October, "	290,490	262,664	79,683	51,869	34,295	14,125	2,357	735,483
November, "	295,192	265,127	79,893	53,322	34,662	15,239	2,445	745,880
December, "	312,476	297,949	86,444	58,824	38,228	17,609	2,986	814,516

(a) Covers all cheque-paying banks and in addition the special departments of the Commonwealth Bank (Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments).

BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, 31st DECEMBER, 1959.

Particulars.	Rate per Annum.	Date from which Operative.	Previous Rate per Annum.
	Per cent.		Per cent.
Commonwealth Bank of Australia—			
Rural Credits Department—Government Guarant			
eed Loans	4	1.4.56	3½
Other	4½	1.4.56	4
Mortgage Bank Department Loans—			
5 to 20 years	5	1.4.56	{ 4½
Over 20 years			
Industrial Finance Department—Term Loans ..	(a) 6	1.4.56	4½
Commonwealth Savings Bank—			
Loans to Local Government Authorities ..	5½ to 5½	29.3.56	4½ to 5
Crédit Foncier Housing Loans	5	9.4.56	4½
Loans to Co-operative Building and Housing Societies	5	1.4.56	4½
Commonwealth Trading Bank—			
Overdraft—General	(a) 6	1.4.56	4½
Local Government Authorities	5	1.4.56	4½
Other Trading Banks—Overdraft	(a) 6	1.4.56	5
Life Assurance Companies—Loans on own policies	6	1-21.5.56	5½
Commonwealth Loans—Long Term	5	10.5.56	4½
Treasury Bills (Discount Rates)	1	1.8.52	½
Fixed Deposits with Trading Banks—			
3 months	2¼	15.3.56	1¼
6 months	2½	15.3.56	1½
12 months	2¾	15.3.56	1¾
24 months	3½	4.12.56	3
Savings Banks—Deposits other than Fixed Deposits—			
Ordinary Accounts (b)—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank and Savings Banks not specified elsewhere—			
£1 to £1,000	3	1.11.58	{ 2½
£1,001 to £1,500			
£1,501 to £2,000			
Savings Bank of South Australia—			
£1 to £500	3½	1.11.58	{ 3
£501 to £1,500			
£1,501 to £2,000			
Trustee Savings Banks, Hobart and Launceston—			
£1 to £500	3½	1.11.58	{ 3
£501 to £1,500			
Friendly and Other Society Accounts—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank and Savings Banks not specified elsewhere—			
£1 to £2,000	3	1.11.58	2½
£2,001 and over	1½	1.4.56	1½
Savings Bank of South Australia—			
£1 to £500	3½	1.11.58	{ 3
£501 to £2,000			
£2,001 and over			
Trustee Savings Banks, Hobart and Launceston—			
£1 to £500	3½	1.11.58	{ 3
£501 to £1,500			
£1,501 and over			

(a) Maximum rate. Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5½ per cent. payable on amounts in excess of the maximum amounts shown.

(b) No interest is

BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, AND SECURITY YIELDS.
(Per Cent.)

Period.	Trading Banks—						C'wealth. Savings Bank Deposits (Maximum Rate of Interest).	Treasury Bills (Dis- count Rates).	C'wealth. Govt. Securities.		Private First Mortgages Regis- tered in New South Wales— Urban and Rural Securities. (c)
	Fixed Deposits.				Overdrafts.				Short- dated 2 Years. (b)	Long- dated 12 Years. (b)	
	3 Months.	6 Months.	12 Months.	24 Months.	C'wealth. Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.					
1953-54 ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.10	4.44	4.9
1954-55 ..	1.13	1.38	1.63	1.88	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.49	4.50	5.2
1955-56 ..	1.50	1.75	2.00	2.25	5.07	5.25	2.56	1.00	4.39	4.76	5.7
1956-57 ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.29	(d) 6.00	(d) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.71	5.06	6.6
1957-58 ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d) 6.00	(d) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.38	4.99	7.0
1958-59 ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d) 6.00	(d) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.16	4.94	7.0
Month of—					(d)	(d)					(e)
Dec., 1958	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	4.23	4.93	7.0
Mar., 1959	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	4.00	4.89	7.1
June, "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	4.00	4.89	7.1
Sept, "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	3.93	4.90	7.2
Oct., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	3.94	4.90	7.3
Nov., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	3.94	4.89	7.4
Dec., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	3.95	4.93	7.6

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) Rate for securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5, and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (c) Average of monthly quotations. (d) Maximum rate. Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5½ per cent. (e) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown.

**OVERSEA EXCHANGE RATES: AVERAGE TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFER SELLING
RATES—SYDNEY ON OVERSEA COUNTRIES.**

Country.	Basis of Quotation.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.	Dec., 1958.	Dec., 1959.
United Kingdom	£A. to £100 Eng. ..	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50
South Africa ..	£A. to £100 S.A. ..	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79
New Zealand ..	£A. to £100 N.Z. ..	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54
Fiji ..	£A. to £100 F. ..	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00
United States of America ..	Dollars to £A.1 ..	2.23	2.22	2.23	2.24	2.23	2.23
Canada ..	Dollars to £A.1 ..	2.21	2.14	2.16	2.16	2.15	2.12
Belgium ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	110.33	110.83	110.61	110.63	110.33	110.78
Denmark ..	Kroner to £A.1 ..	15.31	15.34	15.32	15.33	15.31	15.30
France ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	778.02	780.33	916.39	1,012.15	941.18	1,089.21
Holland ..	Florins to £A.1 ..	8.43	8.44	8.42	8.40	8.39	8.37
Philippines ..	Pesos to £A.1 ..	4.44	4.44	4.44	4.45	4.45	4.45
Norway ..	Kroner to £A.1 ..	15.84	15.81	15.83	15.85	15.84	15.83
Noumea ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	133.61	138.61	163.00	180.75	166.50	196.00
Sweden ..	Kronor to £A.1 ..	11.48	11.45	11.47	11.49	11.47	11.49
Switzerland ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	9.70	9.71	9.71	9.67	9.68	9.61
Hong Kong ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar ..	18.78	18.80	18.81	18.80	18.80	18.91
India ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee ..	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72
Pakistan ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee ..	23.57	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72
Ceylon ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee ..	22.80	22.80	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.80
Singapore ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar ..	35.27	35.28	35.27	35.24	35.34	35.47

LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA.(a)

EXCLUDES BUSINESS OF THE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THE QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE.

New Policies Issued and Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(b)

Period.	New Policies Issued.					Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(c)					
	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum As-sured.	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum As-sured.	
	No.	Sum As-sured.	No.	Sum As-sured.		No.	Sum As-sured.	No.	Sum As-sured.		
		£'000.		£'000.	£'000.		£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	
1954-55	282,059	292,374	220,979	32,809	325,183	149,683	93,932	275,754	22,537	116,469	
1955-56	297,568	334,717	210,607	32,657	367,374	168,591	110,273	277,099	23,755	134,028	
1956-57	291,942	392,197	210,308	33,138	425,335	170,411	119,712	271,467	25,390	145,102	
1957-58	299,612	450,737	208,966	33,830	484,567	188,175	141,054	295,944	27,076	168,130	
1958-59	315,752	521,161	192,006	32,191	553,352	184,877	165,801	282,109	28,013	193,814	
Quarter ended—											
December, 1958 ..	28,792	155,790	43,013	7,554	163,344	44,892	42,202	76,236	7,487	49,689	
March, 1959 ..	60,481	92,124	35,412	5,771	97,895	41,341	37,234	65,914	7,163	44,397	
June, " ..	86,308	135,584	52,734	8,939	144,523	49,096	45,094	72,129	7,309	52,403	
September, " ..	104,670	170,729	55,876	9,452	180,181	56,556	48,326	69,769	6,513	54,839	
December, " ..	96,247	211,212	45,260	8,176	219,388	52,440	51,810	66,104	7,226	59,036	
Month of—											
October, 1959 ..	28,481	50,261	15,738	2,739	53,000	13,986	14,107	25,088	2,531	16,638	
November, " ..	31,212	55,529	15,476	2,665	58,194	19,601	15,911	22,371	2,355	18,266	
December, " ..	36,554	105,422	14,046	2,772	108,194	18,853	21,792	18,645	2,340	24,132	

(a) Includes Papua and New Guinea.

(b) Excludes annuity policies.

(c) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.

Premiums Received, Amounts Paid on Claims, Surrenders, etc., and New Loans Granted.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Premiums.(b)			Claims, etc., Paid.(c)			New Loans Granted.(d)
	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	
1954-55	62,100	14,616	76,716	23,791	8,853	32,644	51,825
1955-56	69,426	14,734	84,160	27,159	9,511	36,670	56,925
1956-57	77,452	14,973	92,425	29,641	10,092	39,733	59,905
1957-58	87,466	15,281	102,747	33,562	10,947	44,509	59,381
1958-59	96,052	15,214	111,266	36,739	10,368	47,107	73,242
Quarter ended—							
December, 1958 ..	22,927	4,152	27,079	9,179	2,446	11,625	21,162
March, 1959 ..	21,339	3,313	24,647	8,136	2,368	10,504	14,760
June, " ..	27,567	3,827	31,369	9,743	2,728	12,471	19,859
September, " ..	26,612	3,927	30,535	10,816	3,137	13,953	18,905
December, " ..	24,947	4,345	29,292	10,189	2,462	12,651	20,078
Month of—							
October, 1959 ..	8,096	1,355	9,451	3,490	888	4,378	5,865
November, " ..	7,173	1,364	8,537	2,980	880	3,860	6,659
December, " ..	9,678	1,626	11,304	3,719	694	4,413	7,554

(a) Includes Papua and New Guinea.

(b) Includes consideration for annuities.

(c) Includes

claims paid on account of death or maturity, amounts paid on surrender of policy, annuities and bonuses paid in cash.

(d) Excludes advances of premiums.

SECTION VIII.—PUBLIC FINANCE.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—RECEIPTS.

(£'000.)

Sources of Revenue.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.	Six Months ended December.	
				1958.	1959.
TAXATION—					
Customs	68,597	71,717	71,671	36,575	39,265
Excise	217,440	231,334	236,254	122,591	128,678
Sales Tax	125,752	137,777	143,617	71,407	78,913
Land Tax	1	11	..	..	..
Income Taxes	620,298	650,419	608,660	143,518	148,544
Pay-roll Tax	48,675	48,552	49,619	24,546	26,677
Estate Duty	12,712	13,774	13,309	6,626	6,585
Gift Duty	1,940	2,205	2,000	1,057	1,108
Wheat Tax .. .. .	..	185	207	1	1
Wool Contributory Charge and Wool Tax	979	1,328	1,389	643	794
Wheat Export Charge .. .. .	..	443	1,211	1,104	1
Other Export Charges	375	390	566	341	263
Stevedoring Industry Charge	1,926	3,337	4,572	2,314	1,938
Tobacco Industry Charge	41	61	72	50	75
Dairy Produce Levy .. .. .	..	..	151	..	175
Total, Taxation	1,098,736	1,161,533	1,133,298	410,773	433,017
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	90,074	96,776	103,467	51,422	57,460
Railways—					
Trans-Australian	2,887	2,821	2,927	1,547	} 2,623
Central Australia	1,390	1,554	1,635	776	
North Australia	130	182	203	88	
Australian Capital Territory	21	19	46	22	
Total, Railways	4,428	4,576	4,811	2,433	2,623
Broadcasting and Television Services	5,301	6,876	8,618	4,276	4,964
Total, Business Undertakings	99,803	108,228	116,896	58,131	65,047
TERRITORIES	2,513	2,845	3,189	1,543	2,001
OTHER REVENUE—					
Coinage	693	223	149	100	150
Defence	3,763	5,776	6,185	1,805	1,950
Civil Aviation	1,262	1,472	1,497	406	481
Health	90	105	92	49	51
Attorney-General	452	516	572	278	318
Shipping and Transport	914	1,128	621	267	1,281
Net Profit on Note Issue	10,054	12,592	10,935	6,056	5,530
Other	93,555	29,353	22,616	7,783	8,967
Total	110,783	51,165	42,667	16,744	18,728
Grand Total	1,311,835	1,323,771	1,296,050	487,191	518,793
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	115 4 8	119 3 8	113 17 5	41 10 8	42 16 6
Business Undertakings	10 9 4	11 2 1	11 14 11	5 17 6	6 8 8
Other	11 17 8	5 10 10	4 12 2	1 16 5	2 1 0
Total	137 11 8	135 16 7	130 4 6	49 4 7	51 6 2

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—EXPENDITURE.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.	Six Months Ended December.	
				1958.	1959.
Administrative and Miscellaneous Services	88,140	96,263	120,779	52,829	56,672
Interest and Debt Redemption, n.e.l.(a) ..	9,827	11,548	10,595	15,875	10,272
Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve	194,793	104,378	27,947		
Capital Works and Services, n.e.l. ..	62,655	72,074	77,093	29,346	40,722
National Welfare and Social Services(b) ..	223,923	247,485	278,227	141,494	150,461
Subsidies and Bounties	15,014	15,660	17,294	7,985	8,036
Defence Services	188,497	185,097	152,000	85,961	94,510
War and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	58,524	51,882	48,758	25,601	26,823
War pensions	(c) 36,762	58,889	60,639	29,780	32,200
Other Services	17,010	17,153	18,766	9,007	10,050
Total, War and Repatriation Services	112,296	127,924	128,163	64,388	69,073
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	2,034	1,812	1,597	1,848	711
Capital Works and Services	30,721	34,811	36,853	18,467	19,422
Other	89,163	95,140	98,886	48,889	52,761
Total, Postmaster-General's Department	121,918	131,763	136,836	69,204	72,894
Railways—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	565	579	580	421	291
Capital Works and Services	3,423	2,545	1,281	386	237
Other	3,679	3,742	3,798	1,870	2,086
Total, Railways	7,667	6,866	5,659	2,677	2,614
Broadcasting and Television Services—					
Capital Works and Services	2,697	1,583	1,408	410	1,781
Other	6,701	7,334	8,370	5,619	6,395
Total, Broadcasting and Television Services	9,398	8,917	9,778	6,029	8,176
Total, Business Undertakings ..	138,983	147,546	152,273	77,910	83,684
Territories—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	368	374	376	421	194
Capital Works and Services	8,027	11,749	14,906	7,186	7,804
Other—					
Northern Territory	3,729	4,406	4,877	2,295	2,920
Australian Capital Territory	2,783	3,075	3,685	1,693	2,171
Papua-New Guinea	9,573	11,374	11,611	5,020	5,478
Norfolk Island	37	33	31	12	21
Cocos Island	20	26	36	17	7
Christmas Island .. ..	..	..	..	..	29
Total, Territories	24,537	31,037	35,522	16,644	18,630
Payments to or for the States—					
Interest on States' Debts	7,585	7,585	7,585	3,792	3,792
Redemption of States' Debts	4,640	5,065	5,386	2,732	2,941
Special Grants	18,500	19,500	20,750	11,064	4,427
Grants for Road Construction, etc., purposes	32,218	35,614	36,199	19,023	21,000
Tax Reimbursement Grants	154,622	165,820	174,547	82,002	97,800
States Grants—Special Assistance ..	19,405	24,145	30,437	..	..
Additional Assistance .. ..	..	5,000	..	..	..
Tuberculosis Act—Reimbursement of Capital Expenditure	2,381	2,142	1,412	685	320
Mental Institutions—Contributions to Capital Expenditure	1,248	1,256	1,120	280	238
Grants for Rail Standardization ..	280	749	1,308	(d)	(d)
Other	4,681	5,475	9,245	3,261	4,188
Total, Payments to or for the States	245,560	272,351	287,989	122,839	134,706
Other Expenditure	7,610	12,408	8,168	4,728	2,835
GRAND TOTAL	1,311,835	1,323,771	1,296,050	619,999	660,601
PER HEAD OF POPULATION ..	£ s. d. 137 11 8	£ s. d. 135 16 7	£ s. d. 130 4 6	£ s. d. 62 13 10	£ s. d. 66 5 0

(a) Includes exchange on interest payments.

(b) For expenditure on Social Services see page 87.

(c) In addition £13,399,000 was spent from balance of War Pensions Trust Fund.

(d) Not available.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.
(£'000.)

Particulars.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.	Total to 30th June, 1959.
War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services	..	..	..	..	..	372,990
Defence and War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges	4,039	7,622	8,019	8,703	5,700	1,662,772
Works and Services—						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites	..	..	..	..	Cr. 2	8,680
Defence Services : General Services etc.	..	..	..	..	37,308	37,308
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks	..	..	..	..	..	7,694
Lighthouses, Works and Services	..	..	..	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department	Cr. 2	Cr. 1	Cr. 6	Cr. 3	2	40,520
Health Buildings, Laboratories and Services	..	..	..	..	..	102
War Service Homes(a)	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways	Cr. 1	Cr. 5	..	Cr. 3	Cr. 42	13,699
Territories(b)	Cr. 4	Cr. 3	Cr. 3	Cr. 4	Cr. 3	8,706
Other	..	..	..	..	Cr. 1	3,108
Assistance to States—						
Housing	29,150	33,200	32,150	33,160	35,810	341,679
Other	..	..	..	..	..	13,943
Wheat Bounty	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Emergency Wheat Storage	..	3,182	Cr. 60	Cr. 30	Cr. 21	3,071
Loan (Qantas Empire Airways Limited)	..	..	3,899	3,311	6,033	13,243
Loan (Australian National Airlines Commission)	..	..	..	..	1,337	1,337
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc.	29,143	36,373	35,980	36,431	80,421	506,802
International Bank Dollar Loans(c)	23,575	19,369	5,367	14,564	7,492	137,645
Swiss Loans(d)	5,930	..	..	..	..	11,722
Canadian Loan(e)	..	6,459	..	..	..	6,459
GRAND TOTAL	62,687	69,823	49,366	59,698	93,613	2,698,390

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes administration and other public buildings, Australian Capital Territory. (c) Paid to National Debt Sinking Fund. (d) Paid to Swiss Loan Trust Account. (e) Paid to Canadian Loan Trust Account.

PUBLIC LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA FOR DEFENCE, WAR (1939-45) AND POST-WAR CHARGES, ETC.(a)

Year and Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Sub- scribers.	Allocation of Proceeds.			Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			Commonwealth.		States.		
			Defence, War (1939-45) and Post-war Charges.	Advances to States for Housing.			
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%	
1954—August ..	37,594	26,840	..	Cr. 7	46,505	3, 4½	(b) 1957, 1967
November ..	50,106	18,386	..	..	37,159	..	(c) 1957, 1968
1955—March ..	40,000	13,299	..	1	44,095	..	(d) 1957, 1968
August ..	35,000	23,630	..	4	39,627	..	(e) 1956, 1965, 1970
November ..	30,000	11,653	..	17	28,032	..	(e) 1956, 1965, 1970
1956—May ..	30,000	20,729	..	34	33,000	3½, 5	(f) 1957, (f) 1963
August ..	30,000	14,869	..	23	31,432	..	(e) 1957, (e) 1963 1976
October ..	29,184	9,230	..	5	30,092	4, 5	(f) 1958, 1965, 1976
1957—March ..	35,000	15,087	..	32	36,270	4, 5	1958, 1965, 1976
August ..	30,000	17,944	..	28	31,400	4, 5	(d) 1959, 1965, 1976
November ..	30,000	10,550	..	10	32,550	4, 5	(g) 1960, 1967, 1973
1958—April ..	35,000	13,594	..	9	39,241	4, 4½, 5	(h) 1961, (g) 1967, 1973
October(i)(k) ..	30,000	10,320	..	3	36,796	4, 4½, 5	(e) 1960, (d) 1967, 1974
1959—February ..	25,000	4,378	..	1	60,192	4, 4½, 5	(f) 1961, (i) 1967 1974
May ..	35,000	3,709	..	21,499	29,052	4, 4½, 5	(f) 1962, (f) 1968, 1979
September ..	50,000	6,355	..	12	58,557	4, 4½, 5	1962, (j) 1968, 1974

(a) Excludes redemption and conversion loans. (b) Price of issue : £98 10s. (c) Price of issue : £98 15s. (d) Price of issue : £99 5s. (e) Price of issue : £99 10s. (f) Price of issue : £99 10s. (g) Price of issue : £99. (h) Price of issue : £98 17s. 6d. (i) £99 7s. 6d. (j) Price of issue : £99 15s. (k) In addition to this loan, subscriptions were invited to Special Bonds Series "A" open for continuous subscription and the cash proceeds to the 24th April, 1959, totalled £22,037,000. These bonds are redeemable at any time after 1st July, 1959, at prices commencing at par and increasing to a premium of £3 per cent. if the bonds are held to maturity, 1st January, 1966. Interest is 4 per cent. for approximately the first two years, 4½ per cent. for the next two years and 5 per cent. for the next three years. As from 25th April, 1959, continuous subscriptions were invited to Special Bonds Series "B" and subscriptions up to the end of December, 1959, totalled £18,567,000. The terms of issue of the two series of special bonds are similar except that interest for Series "B" bonds for the third year is 4 per cent. instead of 4½ per cent. Series "B" bonds are redeemable at any time after 1st April, 1960, and mature on 1st October, 1966. The maximum combined holding for each person in Series "A" and "B" bonds is £5,000.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.

For a summary of Commonwealth Public Debt as at 30th June, 1959, see page 86.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION,
INDIVIDUALS—1957-58.(a)

Grade of Actual Income and State or Territory of Assessment.		Number of Tax- payers.	Actual Income.	Taxable Income.				Net Income Tax and Social Services Contri- bution Assessed.
				Personal Exertion.		Property.	Total.	
£	£		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
105- 199		153,674	23,726	19,011	1,965	1,787	22,763	192
200- 299		191,438	48,082	37,020	4,751	2,946	44,717	823
300- 399		232,726	81,685	62,274	8,315	3,761	74,350	2,323
400- 499		282,023	117,929	87,210	12,707	5,625	105,542	4,540
500- 599		311,057	171,031	128,086	17,176	6,117	151,379	8,233
600- 699		295,767	191,965	137,232	20,923	6,208	164,363	10,376
700- 799		332,640	250,299	173,195	23,980	6,473	203,648	14,207
800- 899		396,438	337,405	232,969	26,569	6,542	266,080	20,317
900- 999		333,557	363,938	246,070	27,323	6,721	280,114	23,162
1,000- 1,099 ..		313,847	328,662	218,050	27,134	6,637	251,821	22,607
1,100- 1,199 ..		230,074	263,937	170,273	26,083	6,183	202,539	19,673
1,200- 1,299 ..		167,944	209,484	130,752	24,566	5,618	160,936	16,777
1,300- 1,399 ..		124,992	168,212	100,867	23,411	5,296	129,574	14,401
1,400- 1,499 ..		89,650	129,713	73,794	21,801	4,816	100,411	11,874
1,500- 1,999 ..		211,992	359,944	173,537	90,363	20,157	284,057	38,724
2,000- 2,999 ..		113,643	271,255	81,065	117,624	26,739	225,428	40,897
3,000- 3,999 ..		33,205	130,947	26,729	69,392	17,317	113,438	26,869
4,000- 4,999 ..		18,037	80,128	13,461	45,187	12,242	70,890	20,084
5,000- 9,999 ..		22,772	150,667	21,827	86,321	28,205	136,353	50,833
10,000-14,999 ..		3,643	43,627	4,733	26,437	8,938	40,108	19,101
15,000 and over ..		1,955	45,370	3,551	26,872	10,989	41,412	23,097
Total Residents ..		3,896,074	3,768,006	2,141,706	728,900	199,317	3,069,923	389,115
Central Office ..		13,657	44,024	6,808	17,850	14,253	38,911	13,894
New South Wales ..		1,461,658	1,436,580	855,524	245,651	69,430	1,170,605	147,861
Victoria		1,129,313	1,084,447	631,523	198,368	62,072	891,968	109,397
Queensland		523,258	484,379	249,532	118,379	19,121	387,032	50,770
South Australia ..		361,383	344,488	185,305	78,597	18,613	282,515	33,675
Western Australia ..		258,689	234,013	129,845	46,743	10,309	186,897	20,837
Tasmania		123,954	113,781	65,812	20,618	4,775	91,205	9,996
Northern Territory ..		6,768	7,805	4,766	935	114	5,815	727
Australian Capital Territory		17,394	18,489	12,586	1,759	630	14,975	1,953
Total Residents ..		3,896,074	3,768,006	2,141,706	728,900	199,317	3,069,923	389,115
Total Non-Residents ..		5,020	6,890	737	930	4,774	6,441	1,481
Grand Total ..		3,901,094	3,774,896	2,142,443	729,830	204,091	3,076,364	390,596

(a) Assessed on income for year 1956-57.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION.

Resident and Non-Resident Companies, 1957-58.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income and State or Territory of Assessment.		Number of Taxpayers.	Actual Income.	Taxable Income.	Net Tax Assessed.(b)
£	£		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1- 999 ..	..	11,437	5,307	3,947	889
1,000- 4,999 ..	..	12,662	36,848	33,564	7,413
5,000- 9,999 ..	..	5,465	40,337	37,957	9,309
10,000- 19,999 ..	..	3,266	47,598	45,534	12,551
20,000- 49,999 ..	..	2,401	77,160	74,667	22,038
50,000- 99,999 ..	..	974	70,346	68,123	20,774
100,000-199,999 ..	..	565	81,007	78,718	24,709
200,000-499,999 ..	..	323	98,616	96,003	28,914
500,000-999,999 ..	..	80	58,059	55,795	18,571
1,000,000 and over ..	..	78	237,431	208,626	67,539
Total ..	..	37,251	752,709	702,934	212,707
Central Office ..	..	3,124	381,141	343,415	110,082
New South Wales ..	..	15,345	155,868	151,598	42,940
Victoria ..	..	10,338	110,958	108,116	29,062
Queensland ..	..	2,488	35,719	34,321	10,945
South Australia ..	..	3,484	36,071	35,069	9,557
Western Australia ..	..	1,425	21,645	19,409	5,389
Tasmania ..	..	756	9,111	8,941	2,303
Northern Territory ..	..	58	445	442	118
Australian Capital Territory ..	..	233	1,751	1,623	311
Total ..	..	37,251	752,709	702,934	212,707

(a) Assessed on income for year 1956-57.
Income of private companies £2,512,000.

(b) Excludes additional tax levied on the undistributed

Commonwealth Gift Duty, 1957-58.

Grade of Value of Gift as Assessed.		Number of Assessments.(a)	Value as Assessed.	Net Duty Assessed.
£	£		£'000.	£'000.
1 - 999 ..	..	656	238	8
1,000 - 1,999 ..	..	252	345	12
2,000 - 2,999 ..	..	1,011	2,492	73
3,000 - 3,999 ..	..	813	2,742	85
4,000 - 4,999 ..	..	583	2,575	78
5,000 - 9,999 ..	..	1,488	10,310	321
10,000 - 19,999 ..	..	901	11,308	467
20,000 - 49,999 ..	..	322	8,883	727
50,000 and over ..	..	29	2,071	364
Total ..	..	6,055	40,964	2,135

(a) Number of Assessments issued during 1957-58.

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1957-58.

Grade of Value of Estate.					Number of Estates. (a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Assessed.
£	£					£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1,000-1,999	..	..	..	..	64	105	32	1
2,000-2,999	..	..	..	..	696	2,251	265	8
3,000-3,999	..	..	..	..	993	4,112	1,049	31
4,000-4,999	..	..	..	..	711	3,766	1,481	45
5,000-9,999	..	..	..	..	5,435	43,213	18,373	545
10,000-19,999	..	..	..	..	3,291	53,702	41,007	1,678
20,000-49,999	..	..	..	..	1,977	70,560	58,460	4,789
50,000 and over	..	..	..	..	432	49,601	36,444	6,870
Total	..	..	..	..	13,599	227,310	157,111	13,967

(a) Estate Duty assessments issued during year 1957-58.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

NOTE.—An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, all goods sold by wholesale in Australia, including imports, are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustments to be made to the crude figures on this account.

Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia.

(£'000.)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Taxable Sales.							Sales Tax Payable.
		8½ per cent.	10 per cent.	12½ per cent.	16½ per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	Total.	
1954-55 ..	2,466,282	..	140,620	421,607	204,713	..	..	766,940	101,427
1955-56 ..	2,655,639	..	159,157	405,029	185,102	15,431	34,055	798,774	111,469
1956-57 ..	2,798,078	..	148,874	336,963	107,605	72,715	115,093	781,250	127,649
1957-58 ..	2,995,035	135,251	26,395	358,705	111,636	86,064	131,296	849,347	138,259
1958-59 ..	3,042,319	170,546	..	385,101	114,563	83,977	136,105	890,292	143,296
Quarter—									
1958—									
Sept. ..	764,250	42,612	..	94,568	27,946	22,963	35,105	223,194	36,302
Dec. ..	823,445	51,297	..	111,444	29,985	24,218	36,361	253,305	40,165
1959—									
March ..	685,666	36,964	..	89,431	26,441	16,801	30,516	200,153	32,021
June ..	768,958	39,673	..	89,657	30,191	19,995	34,124	213,640	34,808
Sept. ..	812,335	44,833	..	102,677	31,104	25,687	39,545	243,846	40,040
Month—									
1959—									
July ..	266,390	14,121	..	32,361	10,104	7,835	11,989	76,410	12,461
Aug. ..	273,759	14,935	..	33,397	9,935	8,864	13,338	80,469	13,293
Sept. ..	272,186	15,777	..	36,919	11,065	8,988	14,218	86,967	14,286

STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS.

(£'000.)

Item and Year.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
REVENUE.							
1958-59.							
Taxation(b)	37,472	30,332	11,229	10,217	c) 5,377	3,870	98,497
Railways	(d) 75,931	38,142	35,129	(d) 12,876	13,515	..	175,593
Tramways and Omnibuses	13,260	..	..	..	920	..	14,180
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	2,995	8,116	..	7,427	4,185	..	22,723
Land	4,332	2,800	3,276	559	1,392	531	12,890
Interest n.e.l.	1,770	5,585	3,725	5,523	2,532	3,940	23,075
Commonwealth Grants(e)	79,578	56,706	33,355	(f) 25,659	(f) 27,751	(f) 11,936	234,985
Commonwealth National Welfare Fund Payments	5,918	1,093	2,335	802	576	301	11,025
All other sources	18,513	8,474	9,958	4,967	3,820	1,259	46,991
Total Revenue 1958-59	239,769	151,248	99,007	68,030	60,068	(g) 21,837	639,959
Total Revenue per head	£ s. d. 64 7 0	£ s. d. 54 9 9	£ s. d. 69 8 7	£ s. d. 74 18 0	£ s. d. 84 6 8	£ s. d. 63 19 9	£ s. d. 64 14 3
1957-58	231,510	142,336	87,955	66,342	57,054	(g) 19,986	605,183
1956-57	223,829	133,254	85,158	61,561	54,331	(g) 18,801	576,934
1955-56	204,399	123,152	75,669	55,352	49,612	(g) 17,827	526,011
1954-55	195,438	116,789	73,820	48,684	46,070	(g) 14,495	495,296
1953-54	188,692	106,748	69,606	48,376	43,596	(g) 13,285	470,893

EXPENDITURE.

1958-59.							
Interest and Charges on Public Debt	30,760	26,216	14,208	16,026	10,913	6,928	105,051
Railways	66,146	35,908	36,354	13,924	15,925	1,158	169,415
Tramways and Omnibuses	13,480	..	..	..	1,221	..	14,701
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,995	4,759	94	5,031	4,569	(h) 225	16,673
Education	46,032	31,345	13,945	11,038	9,408	4,778	116,546
Hospitals	24,159	19,269	11,117	5,988	5,586	1,933	68,052
Other Charities	4,300	5,768	2,603	1,174	1,808	814	16,267
All Other Expenditure (d) 52,855	30,581	21,877	21,877	(i) 15,876	(i) 12,523	(i) 6,909	140,571
Total Expenditure 1958-59	239,727	153,796	100,198	69,057	61,753	22,745	647,276
Total Expenditure per head	£ s. d. 64 6 10	£ s. d. 55 8 2	£ s. d. 70 5 3	£ s. d. 76 0 7	£ s. d. 86 14 0	£ s. d. 66 12 11	£ s. d. 65 5 0
1957-58	231,464	145,549	89,470	66,742	58,177	(g) 20,798	612,200
1956-57	223,700	137,565	85,142	61,610	56,243	(g) 19,615	583,875
1955-56	211,232	126,398	77,392	56,782	51,443	(g) 17,712	540,959
1954-55	197,586	115,453	73,602	50,918	46,554	(g) 14,707	498,820
1953-54	188,564	106,037	69,353	46,566	43,699	(g) 13,270	467,489

(a) In addition to Consolidated Revenue Fund, includes Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—included in the Annual Budget Papers. To avoid duplication within the combined accounts, the following deductions have been made from expenditure—(i) £7,070,000 on account of debt charges not recouped to Consolidated Revenue Fund from Business Undertakings and (ii) £50,000 for contributions from Consolidated Revenue Fund towards losses on Tramways and Omnibus services. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation. Commonwealth and State 1958-59, see p. 85. (c) Gross collections. (d) To avoid duplication the following Treasury Transfers to Railway revenue have been excluded—New South Wales, £1,000,000; South Australia £4,650,000. (e) Includes Commonwealth tax reimbursements. (f) Includes balance of Special Grant for 1956-57—South Australia, +£49,000; Western Australia, +£1,342,000; Tasmania, -£14,000. (g) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of the Transport Commission. (h) Losses of Transport Commission and contribution to Metropolitan Transport Trust. (i) Includes reduction of previous years' deficits: South Australia, £49,000; Western Australia, £1,342,000; Tasmania, -£14,000.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR, 1958-59.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works and Services—							
Railways ..	10,766	7,393	4,929	1,728	2,486	415	27,717
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	1,287	..	..	Cr. 22	369	113	1,747
Roads and Bridges ..	181	1,337	Cr. 950	..	..	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, etc. ..	3,447	243	56	1,238	714	741	7,007
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	4,651	8,034	622	7,003	3,522	112	23,944
Electricity Supply ..	10,433	3,500	..	2,202	1,100	6,534	23,769
Gas Supply ..	..	110	..	..	..	..	110
Public Buildings ..	18,239	16,707	5,270	6,568	3,705	2,787	53,276
Unemployment Relief ..	..	Cr. 3	..	..	..	..	3
Housing ..	Cr. 1,393	497	1,295	3,281	1,353	74	Cr. 5,107
Other(b) ..	284	727	6,148	173	853	455	8,640
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement(c) ..	392	1,515	325	409	..	113	2,754
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	5,753	..	2,397	739	675	..	9,564
Other ..	456	790	815	289	1,271	312	3,933
Other purposes ..	..	641	118	551	123	17	1,450
Total Works. etc. ..	54,496	41,491	21,025	24,159	16,171	11,673	169,015
Per Head ..	14 12 6	14 18 11	14 14 10	26 12 0	22 14 1	34 4 1	17 1 10
Non-Works—							
Revenue, etc., Deficits ..	..	3,000	..	628	570	827	5,025
Other(d) ..	Cr. 1,691	..	400	..	Cr. 681	56	Cr. 2,316
Grand Total ..	52,805	44,491	21,425	24,787	16,060	12,556	172,124

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1959.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works and Services—							
Railways ..	295,321	152,540	121,063	60,926	65,784	14,881	710,515
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	22,602	..	..	8,762	2,295	656	34,315
Roads and Bridges ..	22,346	22,781	8,048	4,992	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, etc. ..	42,873	3,910	4,179	17,294	16,425	13,833	159,864
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	63,735	113,653	9,356	73,223	39,281	2,317	301,565
Electricity Supply ..	129,422	56,141	..	47,772	19,947	77,883	331,165
Gas Supply ..	..	12,150	..	..	..	..	12,150
Public Buildings ..	132,859	118,886	38,530	37,026	25,570	20,211	372,582
Unemployment Relief ..	15,910	11,807	..	..	..	313	28,030
Housing ..	..	6,885	12,706	41,805	11,417	14,755	93,546
Other(b) ..	16,167	7,894	71,069	3,069	5,333	5,954	109,486
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement(c) ..	44,646	72,408	11,622	10,166	13,205	2,634	154,681
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	70,465	..	17,106	16,783	9,094	..	113,448
Other ..	19,431	17,365	30,872	17,341	20,161	3,547	108,717
Other purposes ..	189	12,443	118	6,497	20,096	2,665	42,008
Total Works. etc. ..	882,851	607,456	324,669	345,656	251,791	159,649	2,572,072
Non-Works—							
Revenue, etc., Deficits ..	38,948	26,016	5,826	9,311	14,876	5,545	100,522
Other(d) ..	27,904	11,979	15,090	..	6,346	2,281	64,100
Grand Total ..	949,703	645,451	345,585	354,967	273,513	167,475	2,736,694

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes loans to Local Bodies, etc. (c) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldier Land Settlement. (d) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, etc.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1959.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	707,504	111,653	13,210	832,367	28,475	4,274	537	33,286
Victoria ..	508,187	41,252	5,573	555,012	20,938	1,690	244	22,872
Queensland ..	253,659	44,618	5,193	303,470	9,949	1,584	208	11,741
South Australia ..	279,327	32,346	3,155	314,828	11,443	1,078	140	12,661
Western Australia ..	199,575	30,631	1,913	232,119	7,984	965	85	9,034
Tasmania ..	145,500	7,366	959	153,825	5,957	268	45	6,270
Total ..	2,093,752	267,866	30,003	2,391,621	84,746	9,859	1,259	95,864

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State public debt leaving out of account differences in currency. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Six States.	Common- wealth.	Grand Total. (b)
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.									
Revenue—									
Commonwealth Grants ..	31,940	22,845	14,311	10,632	12,926	4,365	97,019	..	..
Taxation ..	16,880	13,180	5,455	4,623	2,425	1,663	44,226	411,048	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	37,302	18,495	19,183	6,444	6,072	..	87,496	2,433	..
Other ..	7,752	201	..	3,897	2,576	2,619	17,045	55,696	..
Other ..	11,754	6,939	10,235	5,259	3,646	..	37,883	18,014	..
Total ..	105,628	61,660	49,234	30,855	27,645	8,647	283,669	487,191	665,347
Expenditure—									
Grants to States(c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	122,839	..
Debt Services ..	14,882	12,978	6,801	7,354	5,382	3,361	50,738	36,632	..
Business Undertakings(d)—									
Railways ..	35,437	17,959	18,308	4,963	8,018 (e)	485	85,170	1,923	..
Other ..	7,846	300	..	2,354	2,145 (f)	120	12,765	55,564	..
Other ..	55,895	41,599	28,270	17,662	16,300	7,530	167,256	403,041	..
Total ..	114,040	72,836	53,379	32,333	31,845	11,496	315,929	619,999	830,415
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	—8,412	—11,176	—4,145	—2,478	—4,200	—2,849	—33,260	—132,808	—165,065
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.									
Revenue—									
Commonwealth Grants ..	34,839	25,314	16,140	11,857	12,347	5,797	106,294	..	..
Taxation ..	20,313	15,492	7,867	4,537	2,482	1,688	52,379	433,017	..
Business Undertakings									
Railways ..	40,129	18,799	19,114	6,577	7,103	..	91,722	2,623	..
Other ..	8,068	175	..	4,606	2,680	..	15,529	62,424	..
Other ..	14,327	7,654	5,566	6,252	4,537	2,704	41,540	20,730	..
Total ..	118,176	67,434	48,687	33,829	29,149	10,189	307,464	518,793	709,710
Expenditure—									
Grants to States(c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	134,706	..
Debt Services ..	16,373	14,779	7,612	8,201	5,853	3,747	56,565	39,186	..
Business Undertakings(d)—									
Railways ..	35,191	18,775	18,547	7,134	8,100 (e)	302	88,049	2,168	..
Other ..	7,774	264	..	2,960	2,375 (f)	190	13,563	59,157	..
Other ..	61,179	45,128	26,680	18,389	16,302	8,169	175,847	434,384	..
Total ..	120,517	78,946	52,839	36,684	32,630	12,408	334,024	669,601	887,078
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	—2,341	—11,512	—4,152	—2,855	—3,481	—2,219	—26,560	—150,088	—177,363

(a) Represents the combined transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and the Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—Included in the Annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payments to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State Consolidated Revenue Funds in respect of interest on State debts, special grants, uniform taxation, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and National Welfare Fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.

(c) Includes payments to State trust funds. (d) Excludes interest, etc., charges. (e) Loss by Transport Commission. (f) Contribution towards working expenses of Metropolitan Transport Commission.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(£'000.)

Six months ended December—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total Six States.	Common- wealth. (a)	Grand Total.
1958	24,204	15,557	7,468	7,584	7,776	3,413	66,002	18,178	84,180
1959	23,909	18,104	10,368	10,801	6,729	3,864	73,775	16,546	90,321

(a) Excludes payment to National Debt Sinking Fund on account of the International Bank Dollar Loans, payment to Swiss Loan Trust Account on account of Swiss Loans and payment to Canadian Loan Trust Account on account of Canadian Loan and expenditure on Defence Services, General Services, Works, Armaments, etc.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1958-59.(a)
(£'000.)

State, etc.	Income Taxes.	Customs and Excise.	Land Tax	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.i.).	Motor Taxes.	Enter-tainments (including Racing).	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
New South Wales ..	11	..	6,205	12,043	12,559	15,628	2,800	4,760	54,006
Victoria ..	3	..	4,661	7,838	8,485	12,057	3,691	6,042	42,777
Queensland ..	1	..	1,412	3,377	3,411	6,588	397	3,323	18,509
South Australia ..	..	..	1,397	2,145	1,619	4,013	1,032	370	10,576
Western Australia ..	..	..	1,238	1,091	1,481	2,325	918	602	7,655
Tasmania ..	..	..	511	683	762	1,294	548	509	4,307
Total States ..	15	..	15,424	27,177	28,317	41,905	9,386	15,606	137,830
Commonwealth ..	608,660	307,925	..	13,309	..	..	..	6,203,404	1,133,298
Grand Total ..	608,675	307,925	15,424	40,486	28,317	41,905	9,386	219,010	1,271,128

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.
(£ s. d.)

New South Wales ..	0 0 1	..	1 13 4	3 4 8	3 7 5	4 3 11	0 15 0	1 5 6	14 9 11
Victoria ..	..	..	1 13 7	2 16 6	3 1 2	4 6 10	1 6 8	2 3 6	15 8 3
Queensland ..	..	..	0 19 10	2 7 4	2 7 10	4 12 5	0 5 7	2 6 7	12 19 7
South Australia ..	..	..	1 10 9	2 7 3	1 15 8	4 8 4	1 2 9	0 8 1	11 12 10
Western Australia ..	..	..	1 14 9	1 10 8	2 1 7	3 5 3	1 5 10	0 16 11	10 15 0
Tasmania ..	..	..	1 9 11	2 0 0	2 4 8	3 15 10	1 12 2	1 19 10	12 12 5
Total States ..	..	..	1 11 2	2 15 0	2 17 3	4 4 9	0 19 0	1 11 7	13 18 9
Commonwealth ..	61 3 1	30 18 9	..	1 6 9	..	..	..	20 8 10	113 17 5
Grand Total ..	61 3 1	30 18 9	1 11 0	4 1 4	2 16 11	4 4 3	0 18 10	22 0 1	127 14 3

(a) Includes taxes paid to special funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 76 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Includes Sales Tax £148,617,000, £14 8s. 7d. per head of population; and Pay-roll Tax, £49,619,000, £4 19s. 9d. per head of population.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.
(£'000.)

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Income Taxes.	Customs and Excise.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
1954-55 ..	532,916	244,403	100,446	59,843	937,608	89,486	1,027,094
1955-56 ..	573,988	255,772	110,001	64,019	1,003,780	98,001	1,101,781
1956-57 ..	620,298	286,037	125,752	66,649	1,098,736	114,535	1,213,271
1957-58 ..	650,419	303,051	137,777	70,286	1,161,533	128,054	1,289,587
1958-59 ..	608,660	307,925	143,617	73,096	1,133,298	137,830	1,271,128

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.
(£ s. d.)

1954-55 ..	58 12 6	26 17 9	11 1 0	6 11 8	103 2 11	9 17 11	112 19 10
1955-56 ..	61 12 4	27 9 1	11 16 2	6 17 5	107 15 0	10 11 7	118 5 6
1956-57 ..	65 1 1	30 0 0	13 3 9	6 19 10	115 4 8	12 1 8	127 4 11
1957-58 ..	66 14 9	31 1 11	14 2 8	7 4 4	119 3 8	13 4 4	132 6 6
1958-59 ..	61 3 1	30 18 9	14 8 7	7 0 0	113 17 5	13 18 9	127 14 3

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1958-59.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Tax Reimbursement ..	64,785	46,475	27,158	16,166	13,773	6,191	174,548
State Tax Collections	54,006	42,777	18,509	10,576	7,655	4,307	137,830
Total ..	118,791	89,252	45,667	26,742	21,428	10,498	312,378
Per head of population	£ s. d. 31 17 8	£ s. d. 32 3 1	£ s. d. 32 0 6	£ s. d. 29 8 10	£ s. d. 30 1 9	£ s. d. 30 15 3	£ s. d. 31 11 9

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable or payable.	At 30th June—				At 31st Decem- ber, 1959.
		1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	
TOTAL DEBT. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-18)	Australia £A.	122,346	112,606	97,140	89,799	77,772
	London £Stg.(a)	7,534	7,534	7,534	7,534	7,534
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	1,399,347	1,334,093	1,190,558	1,043,597	1,120,567
	London £Stg.	5,725	5,725	5,655	5,655	5,655
Works, etc. ..	Australia £A.	268,287	299,297	301,506	362,957	376,272
	London £Stg.	48,796	48,711	48,476	50,851	50,831
	New York £(b)	59,199	62,145	68,849	73,794	77,049
	Switzerland £(c)	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251
	Canada £(b) ..	3,082	3,069	2,907	2,842	2,774
Total ..	Australia £A.	1,789,980	1,745,996	1,589,204	1,496,354	1,574,611
	London £Stg.	62,055	61,970	61,665	64,039	64,020
	New York £(b)	59,199	62,145	68,849	73,794	77,049
	Switzerland £(c)	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251
	Canada £(b) ..	3,082	3,069	2,907	2,842	2,774
Total(d) ..	..	1,926,567	1,885,431	1,784,876	1,649,280	1,730,706
State ..	Australia £A.	1,651,242	1,822,442	1,964,954	2,093,752	2,152,496
	London £Stg.	288,449	261,621	256,755	267,866	267,680
	New York £(b)	22,336	22,414	26,223	30,003	29,535
Total(d) ..	..	1,962,027	2,106,477	2,247,932	2,391,621	2,449,710
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	3,441,222	3,568,438	3,554,158	3,590,106	3,727,107
	London £Stg.	350,504	323,591	318,420	331,905	331,700
	New York £(b)	81,535	84,559	95,072	103,797	106,584
	Switzerland £(c)	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251
	Canada £(b) ..	3,082	3,069	2,907	2,842	2,744
Total(d) ..	..	3,888,594	3,991,908	3,982,808	4,040,901	4,180,416

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	365 0 4	370 1 1	360 19 0	356 16 6	368 12 2
	London £Stg.	37 3 7	33 11 2	32 6 9	32 19 9	32 16 1
	New York £(b)	8 18 0	8 15 4	9 13 1	10 6 4	10 10 10
	Switzerland £(c)	1 6 0	1 5 5	1 4 11	1 4 4	1 4 3
	Canada £(b) ..	0 6 7	0 6 4	0 5 11	0 5 8	0 5 6
Total(d) ..	..	412 9 6	413 19 4	404 9 8	401 12 7	413 8 10

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.

(£'000.)

Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	111,840	121,703	125,321	130,446	137,034
	London £Stg.(a)	11,387	10,693	11,014	12,186	12,182
	New York £(b)	3,420	3,633	4,143	4,580	4,456
	Switzerland £(c)	475	475	475	475	775
	Canada £(b) ..	116	123	116	114	111
Total(e) ..	..	127,238	136,627	141,069	147,801	154,558

AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE PER CENT.

(£ s. d.)

Commonwealth and State ..	Australia ..	3 5 0	3 8 3	3 10 7	3 12 9	3 13 7
	London(a) ..	3 5 0	3 6 1	3 9 2	3 13 5	3 13 5
	New York ..	4 3 11	4 5 11	4 7 2	4 8 3	4 3 7
	Switzerland ..	3 17 6	3 17 6	3 17 6	3 17 6	6 6 6
	Canada ..	3 15 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0
Total ..	..	3 5 5	3 8 6	3 10 10	3 13 2	3 14 0

(a) Excludes debt (£79,724,000) and interest payable (£3,920,000) due to United Kingdom Government under the Funding Arrangements Act 1921. Repayment of this debt and payment of interest were suspended in 1931 by arrangement with the United Kingdom Government. (b) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (c) Payable in Swiss francs converted on the basis of 9.79512 fr. to £1. (d) The total "face" or "book" values of the public debt of the Commonwealth and States, without adjustment on account of differences in currency (see note (b)). (e) Nominal amount, taking no account of exchange.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

(£'000.)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—					At 31st Decem-ber, 1959.
		1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.—						
	Treasury Bills ..	160,000	165,000	150,000	140,000	171,000	299,000
	Seasonal Secu-rities ..	..	..	..	..	..	23,498
State ..	London £Stg. ..	220	..	..	..	..	..
	Australia £A. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,000
	London £Stg. ..	26,068	26,068	..	..	..	..
Total ..	Australia £A.—						
	Treasury Bills ..	160,000	165,000	150,000	140,000	171,000	302,000
	Seasonal Secu-rities ..	..	..	..	..	..	23,498
	London £Stg. ..	26,288	26,068	..	..	..	..

(a) Included above; excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

SECTION IX.—SOCIAL STATISTICS.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.(a)

(£'000.)

Service.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	1958-59.
Social Services—					
Age and Invalid Pensions	88,006	101,625	109,210	121,577	129,571
Child Endowment	52,530	60,881	57,037	58,734	67,540
Commonwealth Rehabilitation Service ..	451	505	568	608	670
Funeral Benefits	304	319	341	325	346
Maternity Allowances	3,362	3,410	3,482	3,560	3,599
Unemployment, Sickness and Special Benefits	2,640	2,563	4,000	7,331	8,652
Widows' Pensions	6,862	7,723	8,862	9,832	10,777
National Health Services—					
Hospital Benefits	9,321	9,553	9,813	10,823	14,802
Medical Benefits	4,210	5,413	6,146	7,086	7,780
Medical Benefits for Pensioners	2,516	2,874	2,999	3,198	3,806
Mental Institution Benefits	225	..	..	..	..
Nutrition of Children	2,237	2,405	2,607	2,756	3,069
Pharmaceutical Benefits	9,445	10,380	9,924	12,911	18,455
Pharmaceutical Benefits for Pensioners ..	1,295	1,508	1,793	2,123	2,517
Tuberculosis Campaign	5,657	5,697	6,216	5,766	5,850
Miscellaneous	258	510	925	855	768
Rental Rebates .. ..	..	..	..	..	25
Total	189,819	214,866	223,923	247,485	278,227

(a) Includes only expenditure from the National Welfare Fund. Administration and capital expenditure are excluded.

COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.

State and Year.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.		Pensions Paid during Year ended 30th June.(a)	
	Age.	Invalid.	Total. (b)	Age.	Invalid.	Age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per Head of Pop'n.
1959—						£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
New South Wales ..	211,660	32,327	243,987	563	86	8 8 8	16 2	53,654	14 8 0
Victoria ..	128,152	21,132	149,284	455	75	8 5 9	10 3	31,645	11 8 0
Queensland ..	75,085	15,397	90,482	521	107	8 5 4	12 3	19,569	13 14 5
South Australia ..	47,970	5,814	53,784	521	63	8 4 5	13 4	11,575	12 14 11
Western Australia ..	34,629	5,941	40,570	482	83	8 5 7	11 3	8,622	12 2 1
Tasmania ..	15,434	3,070	18,504	451	90	8 6 0	17 9	4,218	12 7 2
Northern Territory ..	204	64	268	97	31	8 10 7	17 2	54	2 14 11
Aus. Cap. Terr. ..	655	108	763	142	23	8 6 4	12 10	162	3 14 7
Abroad ..	(c)	(c)	(c)	..	..	..	..	72	..
Australia ..	513,789	83,853	597,642	535	83	8 6 9	8 13 5	129,571	13 0 4
1958 ..	496,757	77,451	574,208	505	79	8 6 11	8 11 9	121,577	12 9 7
1957 ..	465,781	88,236	554,017	483	92	7 12 10	7 17 8	109,210	11 9 1
1956 ..	446,207	82,775	528,982	473	89	7 13 7	7 16 10	101,625	10 18 2
1955 ..	425,556	78,498	504,054	463	85	6 14 7	6 17 7	88,006	9 13 8

(a) Includes amounts paid to benevolent homes for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these homes and allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. For 1959, includes supplementary assistance.

(b) Excludes the following numbers of age and invalid pensioners in benevolent homes: 1955, 6,132; 1956, 6,244. From 1957 figures include persons in benevolent homes. (c) Included in figures for State in which pensioner is permanently domiciled.

NOTE.—Age pensions are payable to women over 60 years of age and to men over 65 years of age; invalid pensions are payable to persons who are permanently incapacitated for work or who are permanently blind. The maximum weekly rate of pension at the 30th June, 1954 and 1955, was £3 10s.; 1956, £4; 1957, £4, 1958 and 1959, £4 7s. 6d. From October, 1959, the rate has been £4 15s. An allowance is also payable for the wife and children of an invalid pensioner. Age and invalid pensions (except those paid to blind persons) are subject to a means test on income and property.

COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT.

State and Year.	Endowed Families at 30th June.		Number per 10,000 of Population.		Amount paid during Year ended 30th June.	
	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Claims.	Endowed Children (a)	Amount.	Per Head of Population.
1959—					£'000.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	543,246	1,141,012	1,446	3,038	24,293	6 10 5
Victoria.. ..	396,476	851,489	1,409	3,025	18,369	6 12 4
Queensland ..	207,998	478,098	1,443	3,318	10,339	7 5 0
South Australia ..	136,139	296,849	1,478	3,224	6,308	6 18 11
Western Australia	106,752	241,552	1,484	3,359	5,198	7 5 11
Tasmania ..	50,838	117,979	1,485	3,447	2,502	7 6 7
Northern Territory	3,255	7,283	1,554	3,478	201	10 4 4
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	6,576	14,774	1,427	3,207	318	7 6 4
Abroad ..	236	480	..	..	12	..
Australia ..	1,451,516	3,149,516	1,442	3,130	67,540	6 15 9
1958	1,415,378	3,051,699	1,437	3,099	58,734	6 0 7
1957	1,378,169	2,957,046	1,429	3,066	57,037	5 19 8
1956	1,339,807	2,854,524	1,421	3,028	60,381	6 9 8
1955	1,304,227	2,764,167	1,418	3,004	52,530	5 15 7

(a) Excludes endowed children in institutions at 30th June, 1959, 22,307 in 421 institutions; 1958, 22,246 in 415 institutions; 1957, 21,145 in 397 institutions; 1956, 21,140 in 392 institutions; 1955, 24,394 in 392 institutions.

NOTE.—The weekly rates of endowment are: 5s. for the first child in a family 10s. for each other child in a family; 10s. for each child in an institution.

COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS.

State and Year.	Pensions Current at 30th June.(a)				Average Fort-nightly Pension at 30th June.	Pensions paid during Year ended 30th June.	
	Class "A" Pensioners.(b)	Other Widows. (c)	All Widows.	Per 10,000 of Population.		Amount.	Per Head of Population.
1959—					£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	8,621	10,907	19,528	52	8 11 6	4,275	1 2 11
Victoria.. ..	5,337	6,804	12,141	43	8 7 6	2,545	18 4
Queensland ..	4,028	4,049	8,077	56	8 12 0	1,800	1 5 3
South Australia ..	1,863	2,480	4,343	47	8 9 4	947	1 0 10
Western Australia	1,515	2,318	3,833	53	8 3 11	800	1 2 5
Tasmania ..	865	798	1,663	49	8 14 2	371	1 1 9
Northern Territory	18	13	31	15	9 6 2	7	7 1
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	49	41	90	20	8 15 8	23	10 7
Abroad ..	(d)	(d)	(d)	..	..	9	..
Australia ..	22,296	27,410	49,706	49	8 10 0	10,777	1 1 8
1958	20,970	25,958	46,928	48	8 9 0	9,832	1 0 2
1957	20,648	24,768	45,416	47	7 15 1	8,862	18 7
1956	19,511	23,419	42,930	46	7 7 6	7,723	16 7
1955	18,683	22,864	41,547	45	6 8 2	6,862	15 1

(a) Excludes the following numbers of pensioners in benevolent homes: 1955, 14; 1956, 17. From 1957 figures include persons in benevolent homes.

(b) A widow who has at least one child under 16. The maximum weekly rate of pension at the 30th June, 1954 and 1955 was £3 15s.: 1956, £4 5s.; 1957, £4 5s.; 1958, £4 12s. 6d.; from October, 1959, the rate has been £5. (Since October, 1956, an allowance of 10s. has been payable for each child after the first.)

(c) A widow who is not less than 50, and is without children under 16; a widow without children who is in need, for not more than 26 weeks after the death of her husband, or until the birth of her child if she is pregnant; a woman whose husband has been in prison for six months, if she is not under 50, or if she has at least one child under 16. The maximum weekly rate of pension at the 30th June, 1954 and 1955 was £2 17s. 6d.: 1956 and 1957, £3 7s. 6d.; 1958, £3 15s. 0d.; from October, 1959, the rate has been £4 2s. 6d.

(d) Included in the figures for the State in which the pensioner is permanently domiciled.

NOTE.—Widows' pensions are subject to a means test on income and property.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Overseas.	Australia.
NUMBER OF CLAIMS PAID.										
1953-54..	(a)72,380	54,219	30,889	(b)18,749	15,803	7,726	(c)	(d)	48	190,814
1954-55..	76,614	55,720	31,782	18,506	16,261	7,940	481	787	88	208,179
1955-56..	75,591	58,885	32,764	19,036	17,180	8,328	510	961	110	212,865
1956-57..	77,387	59,648	32,882	19,929	16,853	8,166	579	1,067	106	216,617
1957-58..	79,220	60,666	34,000	20,001	16,829	8,509	666	1,137	121	221,149
1958-59..	80,289	63,428	34,266	20,541	16,594	8,608	682	1,276	95	225,779
AMOUNT PAID. (£.)										
1953-54..	a1,173,058	874,376	496,802	b301,146	253,442	125,400	(c)	(d)	1,695	3,225,919
1954-55..	1,250,268	892,301	512,445	297,284	261,129	127,502	7,435	12,551	1,392	3,362,307
1955-56..	1,207,471	935,155	525,779	304,392	276,123	136,512	8,129	15,125	1,722	3,410,408
1956-57..	1,251,911	948,575	532,563	319,188	271,128	131,000	9,117	17,056	1,668	3,482,206
1957-58..	1,281,244	968,576	547,530	323,241	271,032	137,651	10,708	18,168	1,878	3,560,028
1958-59..	1,265,461	1,020,390	546,328	327,937	266,760	139,218	11,013	20,294	1,701	3,599,102

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.
South Australia.

(d) Included with New South Wales.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

(c) Included with

NOTE.—Allowances payable are as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years, £15; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years, £16; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years, £17 10s. Where more than one child is born at a birth the allowance is increased by £5 in respect of each additional child born at that birth. The allowance is not subject to a means test.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS PAID.(a)

(For particulars of weekly average number of persons on benefit see page 97.)

(£.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.									
1953-54 ..	b1,247,216	507,676	581,865	(c)50,213	75,904	42,589	(d)	(e)	2,505,463
1954-55 ..	253,974	99,305	270,416	12,386	26,709	15,952	112	534	679,438
1955-56 ..	215,672	69,664	287,871	10,961	76,888	9,963	73	728	(f) 671,820
1956-57 ..	669,798	530,959	418,997	113,653	336,846	23,045	105	2,633	2,096,036
1957-58 ..	1,726,525	1,011,801	1,281,756	305,549	482,735	103,820	1,976	5,613	4,919,775
1958-59 ..	2,422,069	1,224,299	1,153,218	362,402	654,387	134,870	1,057	7,173	5,959,475
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958	531,397	297,856	187,111	90,889	155,606	42,706	114	1,768	1,307,447
March, 1959	634,975	266,261	492,522	72,327	158,823	23,794	270	2,164	1,651,136
June, ..	634,598	281,262	301,623	72,778	153,965	25,333	348	1,768	1,471,675
September ..	598,409	334,334	162,784	73,199	181,455	44,839	209	1,979	1,397,208
December ..	407,845	215,078	261,392	58,285	133,112	33,687	158	1,291	1,110,848
SICKNESS BENEFIT.									
1953-54 ..	b 697,949	405,414	257,633	c 153,042	106,836	54,719	(d)	(e)	1,675,593
1954-55 ..	673,235	387,452	254,982	137,117	98,868	51,716	1,559	2,913	1,607,842
1955-56 ..	641,550	350,172	243,952	134,243	93,854	50,901	1,487	2,914	(f) 1,519,073
1956-57 ..	639,342	339,414	234,000	136,332	96,907	47,243	1,361	3,927	1,498,526
1957-58 ..	792,335	406,032	304,761	157,379	130,959	58,744	1,821	5,232	1,857,263
1958-59 ..	920,460	508,980	346,383	182,787	159,230	69,873	1,741	7,073	2,196,527
Quarter ended—									
December, 1958	224,240	124,704	87,341	46,975	38,252	19,805	541	1,680	543,538
March, 1959	222,079	116,462	85,440	38,229	35,271	14,137	363	1,702	513,638
June, ..	229,423	139,128	90,111	51,863	44,227	16,405	564	2,193	573,914
September ..	255,895	143,017	88,477	49,352	45,879	19,926	267	1,871	607,684
December ..	239,036	128,403	93,151	45,278	40,930	17,019	259	2,079	566,160

(a) In addition £362,398 (Australian total) was paid in special benefits during 1953-54: £352,587 during 1954-55; £372,220 during 1955-56; £404,866 during 1956-57; £553,708 during 1957-58; and £496,535 during 1958-59; these amounts include payments to migrants in reception and training centres.
(b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Included with South Australia. (e) Included with New South Wales. (f) Does not include special variations of advances for payments in regional areas, made at the end of the year.

NOTE.—The rate of benefit per week is £3 5s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus £2 7s. 6d. for dependent spouse and 10s. for the first dependent child. For unmarried juveniles the rate of benefit is £1 15s. if under 18 years and £2 7s. 6d. if 18 and under 21 years. In certain cases £2 7s. 6d. per week may be paid in respect of claimant's housekeeper. Rates operated from 17th October, 1957. Permissible weekly income from other sources is £2 for adults and married persons and £1 for unmarried persons under 21. For unemployment benefit, permissible income means income of claimant and spouse; for sickness benefit, permissible income means income of claimant only, but excludes amounts of up to £2 per week from a friendly society. There is a waiting period of seven days during which no payment is made.

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS.

(i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment and Year.	Number of War Pensions Current at 30th June.				Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.			Expenditure during Year ended 30th June.
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.	
1959—					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.
New South Wales(a)	70,313	125,366	17,426	213,105	5 11 11	1 16 9	3 1 6	16,813
Victoria ..	60,389	110,156	14,430	184,975	5 17 5	1 17 0	3 3 3	15,201
Queensland ..	27,601	55,121	5,421	88,143	6 10 3	1 12 9	3 3 4	7,216
South Australia(b)	20,353	42,404	4,390	67,147	5 12 11	1 11 2	2 15 11	4,846
Western Australia	18,201	34,046	3,761	56,008	5 2 11	1 12 0	2 15 0	3,947
Tasmania ..	8,360	17,642	1,619	27,621	6 8 8	1 12 2	3 1 4	2,229
Abroad ..	1,707	2,141	1,200	5,048	5 17 7	3 17 0	4 10 9	605
Total ..	206,924	386,876	48,247	642,047	5 16 0	1 15 4	3 1 4	50,857
1958 ..	204,439	376,429	47,494	628,362	5 12 8	1 15 2	3 0 5	50,278
1957 ..	201,714	364,397	47,179	613,290	5 1 10	1 13 11	2 16 3	45,204
1956 ..	199,290	353,316	47,008	599,614	5 0 3	1 13 11	2 16 0	43,166
1955 ..	196,255	340,361	46,921	583,537	4 13 2	1 12 8	2 13 0	41,504
1954 ..	192,203	324,514	46,949	563,666	4 6 9	1 11 5	2 10 4	36,797

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

(ii) Service Pensions.

State of Payment and Year.	Number of Service Pensions Current at 30th June paid to—						Average Fort- nightly Pension at 30th June.	Expendi- ture during Year ended 30th June.
	Members of Forces who are—			Dependants of Members of Forces who are—		Total.		
	Aged.	Perman- ently Unem- ployable.	Sufferers from Pul- monary Tuber- culosis.	Perman- ently Unem- ployable.	Sufferers from Pul- monary Tuber- culosis.			
1959—							£ s. d.	£'000.
New South Wales								
(a)	6,363	3,716	479	3,700	734	14,992	5 10 10	2,234
Victoria	3,793	3,087	350	3,000	462	10,692	5 4 6	1,387
Queensland ..	2,712	1,933	250	2,053	396	7,344	5 5 8	995
South Australia (b)	1,509	1,135	124	1,211	205	4,184	5 8 8	584
Western Australia	2,068	1,332	183	1,179	247	5,009	5 18 9	776
Tasmania	528	695	47	813	68	2,151	4 12 8	244
Australia	16,973	11,898	1,433	11,956	2,112	44,372	5 8 3	6,220
1958	15,365	11,472	1,477	11,667	2,222	42,203	5 9 4	5,630
1957	13,547	10,794	1,449	11,074	2,213	39,077	5 3 2	4,907
1956	11,881	9,733	1,266	10,001	1,894	34,775	5 3 10	4,140
1955	10,566	5,555	379	5,286	530	22,316	5 7 9	3,012
1954	9,648	5,294	321	5,092	451	20,806	5 3 2	2,695

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.

State or Territory and Year.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
			Average Weekly Enrolment.	Average Daily Attendance.

GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.

1958—					
New South Wales(a)	..	2,660	18,300	554,223	502,643
Victoria	..	2,096	13,729	388,946	349,521
Queensland	..	1,558	7,942	(b) 224,237	199,633
South Australia	..	647	5,504	(c) 149,248	139,410
Western Australia	..	503	3,663	111,186	104,166
Tasmania	..	283	2,535	60,921	56,121
Northern Territory	..	13	124	(c) 2,786	2,491
Australia	..	7,760	51,797	1,491,547	1,353,985
1957	..	7,711	48,807	1,410,297	1,272,688
1956	..	7,652	46,968	1,341,882	1,217,817
1955	..	7,614	45,104	1,275,538	1,154,279
1954	..	7,608	42,414	1,209,139	1,089,515
1953	..	7,595	40,237	1,149,915	1,037,621

NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.(d)

1958—					
New South Wales(a)	..	783	6,706	181,007	171,725
Victoria..	..	533	4,240	148,100	(e) 140,000
Queensland	..	294	2,329	65,681	61,481
South Australia	..	161	1,326	31,792	29,782
Western Australia	..	300	1,217	34,383	32,289
Tasmania	..	55	486	11,590	10,823
Northern Territory	..	2	16	633	520
Australia	..	2,128	16,320	473,186	(e) 446,620
1957	..	2,122	15,690	453,219	(e) 422,162
1956	..	2,088	15,194	432,985	(e) 396,289
1955	..	2,051	14,768	409,945	(e) 374,600
1954	..	2,014	14,428	388,312	352,736
1953	..	1,958	13,898	366,086	337,156

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Enrolment at 1st August, 1958. (c) Average daily enrolment. (d) Includes all schools not wholly under Government control. (e) Estimated.

UNIVERSITIES.

University or College and Year.	Teaching Staff.		Students Enrolled. (a)	Degrees Conferred.	Total Income. (b)	Total Expenditure. (b)
	Full-time.	Part-time.				
1958—					£	£
Australian National University	149	4	95	12	1,928,411	1,952,024
Sydney	604	401	8,996	1,058	4,540,961	4,123,394
Melbourne	487	166	9,020	1,060	3,240,448	2,899,966
Queensland	315	256	6,718	472	1,162,832	1,233,579
Adelaide	260	169	5,189	359	3,303,100	3,566,695
Western Australia ..	156	92	2,655	287	1,671,545	1,681,963
Tasmania	89	10	1,138	128	1,968,380	1,982,072
New South Wales (c) ..	528	293	6,014	226	1,677,239	1,719,254
New England (Armidale N.S.W.)	131	12	1,567	82	587,350	580,102
Canberra University College	69	19	473	(d)	262,537	253,148
Australia	2,788	1,422	41,865	3,684	20,342,803	19,992,197
1957	2,425	1,344	36,903	3,344	16,047,469	16,248,261
1956	2,260	1,442	34,480	3,373	13,870,677	14,039,869
1955	2,019	1,461	30,868	3,232	13,385,516	12,242,474
1954	1,936	1,475	29,445	3,249	11,002,483	9,759,476
1953	1,851	1,341	28,838	3,926	8,866,271	8,598,315

(a) Adjustment made for students enrolled in more than one course. (b) Includes capital items.
(c) Includes the Newcastle University College. (d) Included with Melbourne.

POLICE AND PRISONS.

State or Territory and Year.	Police.	Prisons.	Prisoners.
1958—			
New South Wales	5,130	17	3,126
Victoria	3,753	(a) 11	(a) 1,397
Queensland	2,617	7	799
South Australia	1,351	16	526
Western Australia	988	19	527
Tasmania	526	1	196
Northern Territory	76	2	32
Australian Capital Territory ..	66	..	..
Australia	14,507	73	6,603
1957	14,094	73	6,550
1956	13,452	73	6,145
1955	12,924	74	5,125
1954	12,633	72	4,883

NOTE.—All figures relate to the 30th June, except those marked (a) which relate to 31st December.

PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds. (a)	Staff.		In-patients Treated. (b)	Revenue. (c)	Expenditure. (c)
			Medical.	Nursing.			
1957-58—						£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	270	21,625	4,844	12,218	450,030	32,065	31,442
Victoria ..	138	12,391	2,150	8,673	247,136	23,153	22,521
Queensland ..	139	11,293	788	4,915	216,573	12,006	13,573
South Australia ..	64	3,870	589	2,237	75,282	7,686	7,709
Western Australia ..	93	4,432	446	2,808	86,595	7,577	7,527
Tasmania ..	28	2,381	223	1,242	34,172	2,335	2,823
Northern Territory ..	4	373	15	130	7,504	807	807
Aust. Cap. Territory	1	243	39	213	6,507	415	415
Australia ..	737	56,608	9,094	32,436	1,123,799	86,044	86,817
1956-57 ..	731	55,801	8,573	31,006	1,065,045	82,182	83,984
1955-56 ..	721	53,550	8,103	29,070	1,032,668	71,612	74,568
1954-55 ..	709	52,979	7,738	27,566	1,046,171	63,998	64,323
1953-54 ..	699	50,812	7,487	26,116	961,288	54,971	54,190

(a) Includes particulars, where available, of a considerable number of beds and cots for certain classes of cases in outdoor or verandah sleeping places. (b) Newborn are excluded. Out-patient cases treated at public hospitals during 1957-58 were as follows:—New South Wales, 1,107,073; Victoria, 541,743; Queensland, 588,878; South Australia, 92,718; Western Australia, 127,576 (estimated); Tasmania, 83,398; the Northern Territory, 86,238; and the Australian Capital Territory, 13,960; Australia, 2,641,584 (estimated). (c) Up to and including 1955-56, finance figures exclude loan receipts and expenditure for New South Wales.

MENTAL HOSPITALS.

State and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds.	Staff.		Patients at end of Year.	Revenue. (a)	Expenditure.
			Medical.	Nursing.			
1957-58—						£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales	14	12,700	(b) 65	2,160	13,761	470	5,801
Victoria(c) ..	14	8,133	103	2,475	9,800	(e) 41	(e) 7,049
Queensland(d) ..	5	4,804	14	1,149	4,610	85	2,315
South Australia ..	2	2,708	13	455	2,667	96	1,298
Western Australia(c)	4	1,681	8	329	1,926	(e) 56	(e) 881
Tasmania ..	1	797	3	193	757	8	626
Australia ..	40	30,823	206	6,761	33,521	756	17,970
1956-57 ..	40	30,617	188	6,470	32,775	690	17,458
1955-56 ..	39	30,089	161	6,030	32,453	567	15,342
1954-55 ..	37	29,690	144	5,748	31,223	654	13,189
1953-54 ..	34	29,244	140	5,541	30,798	889	11,681

(a) Excludes grants from State governments. (b) In addition there were 52 visiting paid specialists. (c) Year 1958. (d) Includes the Epileptic Home. (e) Year 1957-58.

SECTION X.—EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND WAGES.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—AUSTRALIA.(a)
('000.)

Month.	Total Civilian Employees. (Excluding Rural and Female Private Domestics.)			Total Civilian Employees in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers. (c)	Total. (c)	Mining and Quarry- ing.	Fac- tories. (e)	Build- ing and Con- struction.	Trans- port and Com- muni- cation.	Retail Trade.	Other Com- merce and Fin- ance.	Pro- fes- sional and Per- sonal Ser- vices. (d)
MALES.										
1957—June	609.5	1,475.9	2,085.4	56.3	780.2	207.4	313.0	129.6	214.0	193.1
1958—June	621.8	1,476.1	2,097.9	51.6	791.1	202.4	311.8	132.7	216.3	196.3
1959—June	633.9	1,493.7	2,127.6	49.1	805.6	205.2	312.6	133.6	221.5	201.5
1958—July	621.7	1,477.3	2,099.0	51.5	794.4	201.3	311.5	132.5	215.2	196.2
Aug.	620.6	1,476.9	2,097.5	51.5	794.6	200.1	310.4	132.2	216.2	196.2
Sept.	620.7	1,478.2	2,098.9	50.9	795.4	199.4	310.1	132.8	217.4	196.7
Oct.	621.5	1,481.5	2,103.0	50.9	796.9	200.7	309.9	133.2	217.9	197.1
Nov.	622.8	1,488.5	2,111.3	50.6	799.4	201.0	310.5	135.8	219.8	197.7
Dec.	622.8	1,483.9	2,106.7	50.6	792.4	199.5	309.7	139.1	220.1	198.5
1959—July	633.4	1,494.9	2,128.3	48.9	807.6	204.4	313.0	133.6	220.5	202.0
Aug.	632.6	1,496.2	2,128.8	48.9	808.8	202.8	312.1	134.1	221.0	202.6
Sept.	631.6	1,503.7	2,135.3	49.0	812.6	203.0	311.5	134.3	223.2	203.2
Oct.	630.0	1,508.5	2,138.5	49.0	813.8	203.4	310.8	134.8	224.6	203.8
Nov.	630.6	1,514.9	2,145.5	49.0	815.3	203.6	311.2	137.1	226.1	204.4
Dec.	630.1	1,517.8	2,147.9	49.0	813.7	201.9	309.7	141.0	227.0	206.2
FEMALES.										
1957—June	132.8	647.4	780.2	1.2	242.9	5.3	40.1	121.6	90.3	241.9
1958—June	136.6	655.9	792.5	1.1	244.0	5.5	39.9	125.6	92.3	246.4
1959—June	143.9	669.1	813.0	1.1	248.9	5.6	40.3	126.5	95.3	256.5
1958—July	137.7	656.8	794.5	1.1	244.6	5.5	39.8	125.5	92.2	247.5
Aug.	137.5	657.6	795.1	1.1	245.3	5.5	39.9	124.9	92.2	248.0
Sept.	137.6	658.9	796.5	1.1	245.9	5.5	39.9	125.4	92.2	248.4
Oct.	137.6	660.7	798.3	1.1	246.2	5.5	39.8	126.4	92.2	249.1
Nov.	137.8	666.1	803.9	1.1	247.1	5.5	40.0	130.7	92.4	248.9
Dec.	137.1	666.9	804.0	1.1	244.2	5.5	40.1	133.5	92.3	249.2
1959—July	144.5	670.1	814.6	1.1	249.1	5.7	40.2	126.4	95.2	257.6
Aug.	144.2	671.1	815.3	1.1	250.9	5.7	40.4	126.3	95.0	256.6
Sept.	144.2	676.7	820.9	1.1	253.9	5.7	40.4	127.2	95.5	258.0
Oct.	144.3	680.9	825.2	1.1	256.0	5.7	40.6	128.5	95.8	258.5
Nov.	144.7	690.4	835.1	1.1	258.2	5.7	40.7	134.3	96.6	259.4
Dec.	143.5	693.1	836.6	1.1	257.0	5.7	40.7	137.2	96.9	259.0
PERSONS.										
1957—June	742.3	2,123.3	2,865.6	57.5	1,023.1	212.7	353.1	251.2	304.3	435.0
1958—June	758.4	2,132.0	2,890.4	52.7	1,035.1	207.9	351.7	253.3	308.6	442.7
1959—June	777.8	2,162.8	2,940.6	50.2	1,054.5	210.8	352.9	260.1	316.8	458.0
1958—July	759.4	2,134.1	2,893.5	52.6	1,039.0	206.8	351.3	258.0	307.4	443.7
Aug.	758.1	2,134.5	2,892.6	52.6	1,039.9	205.6	350.3	257.1	308.4	444.2
Sept.	758.3	2,137.1	2,895.4	52.0	1,041.3	204.9	350.0	258.2	309.6	445.1
Oct.	759.1	2,142.2	2,901.3	52.0	1,043.1	206.2	349.7	259.6	310.1	446.2
Nov.	760.6	2,154.6	2,915.2	51.7	1,046.5	206.5	350.5	266.5	312.2	446.6
Dec.	759.9	2,180.8	2,910.7	51.7	1,036.6	205.0	349.8	272.6	312.4	447.7
1959—July	777.9	2,165.0	2,942.9	50.0	1,056.7	210.1	353.2	260.0	315.7	459.6
Aug.	776.8	2,167.3	2,944.1	50.0	1,059.7	208.5	352.5	260.4	316.0	459.2
Sept.	775.8	2,180.4	2,956.2	50.1	1,066.5	208.7	351.9	261.5	318.7	461.2
Oct.	774.3	2,189.4	2,963.7	50.1	1,069.8	209.1	351.4	263.3	320.4	462.3
Nov.	775.3	2,205.3	2,980.6	50.1	1,073.5	209.3	351.9	271.4	322.7	463.8
Dec.	773.6	2,210.9	2,984.5	50.1	1,070.7	207.6	350.4	278.2	323.9	465.2

(a) Excludes permanent Defence Forces in Australia or overseas, and National Service trainees in camp. Estimated total employment is obtained from annual Factory Censuses, returns of Government employment, Pay-roll Tax returns and other direct collections.

(b) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State and Local) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post offices, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(c) See note (a) to table on page 96 relating to employment in factories.

(d) Includes employees in education, health, hotels and restaurants and other professional and personal services (except female private domestics).

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—STATES.(a)

('000.)

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
MALES.									
1955—June ..	794.1	576.2	278.2	180.8	141.5	65.1	4.8	9.0	2,049.7
1956—June ..	808.3	583.2	282.4	187.9	140.5	65.7	5.2	9.0	2,082.2
1957—June ..	810.2	586.0	282.6	186.4	138.4	66.0	5.8	10.0	2,085.4
1958—June ..	813.9	592.9	282.8	186.0	138.6	67.0	5.6	11.1	2,097.9
1959—June ..	819.0	603.4	287.8	192.0	140.0	67.6	5.9	11.9	2,127.6
1958—July ..	812.8	593.0	284.0	186.6	138.7	66.9	5.6	11.4	2,099.0
Aug. ..	811.6	592.1	284.3	186.5	139.0	66.6	5.7	11.7	2,097.5
Sept. ..	810.9	593.0	284.4	186.9	139.7	66.5	5.8	11.7	2,098.9
Oct. ..	813.3	593.9	284.5	187.1	140.0	66.6	5.9	11.7	2,103.0
Nov. ..	817.1	596.7	285.7	187.6	139.7	66.7	5.9	11.9	2,111.3
Dec. ..	816.2	598.0	279.3	187.8	140.1	67.5	5.9	11.9	2,106.7
1959—July ..	818.6	603.7	288.4	192.3	140.1	67.4	6.0	11.8	2,128.3
Aug. ..	819.2	603.8	288.1	192.5	139.9	67.4	5.9	12.0	2,128.8
Sept. ..	822.8	605.5	287.2	193.4	140.7	67.5	6.0	12.2	2,135.3
Oct. ..	823.8	607.0	287.1	193.4	141.0	68.0	6.0	12.2	2,138.5
Nov. ..	829.3	608.9	285.6	193.9	141.1	68.3	6.0	12.4	2,145.5
Dec. ..	831.9	611.6	282.0	194.3	140.8	68.6	6.0	12.7	2,147.9

FEMALES.

1955—June ..	297.4	232.4	92.1	50.8	44.3	21.8	1.0	3.1	751.9
1956—June ..	305.0	238.5	93.7	62.5	45.1	23.2	1.2	3.3	778.4
1957—June ..	309.3	240.4	95.8	62.4	44.5	22.9	1.2	3.7	780.2
1958—June ..	314.4	244.5	95.9	63.4	45.6	23.5	1.3	3.9	792.5
1959—June ..	320.4	252.8	97.9	65.9	47.0	23.3	1.4	4.3	813.0
1958—July ..	315.4	245.3	96.3	63.7	45.7	22.8	1.4	3.9	794.5
Aug. ..	315.5	245.1	97.2	63.7	45.9	22.5	1.3	3.9	795.1
Sept. ..	316.0	245.7	96.8	64.1	46.3	22.2	1.4	4.0	796.5
Oct. ..	316.7	246.9	96.6	64.2	46.4	22.1	1.4	4.0	798.3
Nov. ..	319.1	248.9	96.8	64.7	46.6	22.5	1.4	3.9	803.9
Dec. ..	320.0	247.9	96.2	64.6	46.9	23.2	1.4	3.8	804.0
1959—July ..	321.5	253.0	98.4	66.0	47.0	22.9	1.4	4.4	814.6
Aug. ..	321.5	253.4	98.8	66.2	46.9	22.7	1.4	4.4	815.3
Sept. ..	324.2	255.0	99.1	66.8	47.3	22.6	1.4	4.5	820.9
Oct. ..	326.2	256.6	98.8	67.2	47.6	22.8	1.4	4.6	825.2
Nov. ..	331.1	259.3	99.3	68.1	48.2	23.1	1.4	4.6	835.1
Dec. ..	331.7	259.6	99.6	67.9	48.2	23.6	1.5	4.5	836.6

PERSONS.

1955—June ..	1,091.5	808.6	370.3	240.6	185.8	86.9	5.8	12.1	2,801.6
1956—June ..	1,114.2	821.7	376.1	250.4	185.6	88.9	6.4	12.3	2,855.6
1957—June ..	1,119.5	826.4	378.4	248.8	182.9	88.9	7.0	13.7	2,865.6
1958—June ..	1,128.3	837.4	378.7	249.4	184.2	90.5	6.9	15.0	2,890.4
1959—June ..	1,139.4	856.2	385.7	257.9	187.0	90.9	7.3	16.2	2,940.6
1958—July ..	1,128.2	838.3	380.3	250.3	184.4	89.7	7.0	15.3	2,893.5
Aug. ..	1,127.1	837.2	381.5	250.2	184.9	89.1	7.0	15.6	2,892.6
Sept. ..	1,126.9	838.7	381.2	251.0	186.0	88.7	7.2	15.7	2,895.4
Oct. ..	1,130.0	840.8	381.1	251.3	186.4	88.7	7.3	15.7	2,901.3
Nov. ..	1,136.2	845.6	382.5	252.3	186.3	89.2	7.3	15.8	2,915.2
Dec. ..	1,136.2	845.9	375.5	252.4	187.0	90.7	7.3	15.7	2,910.7
1959—July ..	1,140.1	856.7	386.8	258.3	187.1	90.3	7.4	16.2	2,942.9
Aug. ..	1,140.7	857.2	386.9	258.7	186.8	90.1	7.3	16.4	2,944.1
Sept. ..	1,147.0	860.5	386.3	260.2	188.0	90.1	7.4	16.7	2,950.2
Oct. ..	1,150.0	863.6	385.9	260.6	188.6	90.8	7.4	16.8	2,963.7
Nov. ..	1,160.4	868.2	384.9	262.0	189.3	91.4	7.4	17.0	2,980.6
Dec. ..	1,163.6	871.2	381.6	262.2	189.0	92.2	7.5	17.2	2,984.5

(a) Excludes employees in rural industry, female private domestics, permanent Defence Forces in Australia or overseas and National Service trainees in camp. See note (a) to table on page 96 relating to employment in factories.

See also notes on previous page.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.(a)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.				
							Males.	Females.	Persons.	Index: av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unadjusted.	Adjusted. (b)
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.		
1954-55(c) ..	403.0	332.6	95.4	86.6	46.8	24.4	751.4	237.4	988.8	1,881	1,422
1955-56(c) ..	417.0	341.3	97.2	89.9	47.5	26.0	775.4	243.5	1,018.9	1,938	1,429
1956-57(c) ..	420.1	341.0	98.1	89.2	46.1	26.5	776.6	244.4	1,021.0	1,942	1,399
1957-58(c) ..	429.2	344.8	96.9	89.5	45.8	26.9	786.8	246.3	1,033.1	1,965	1,385
1958-59(c) ..	433.4	348.7	99.8	91.0	45.7	27.2	798.8	247.0	1,045.8	1,989	1,373
1958-59—											
October ..	433.0	346.3	101.7	90.2	45.7	26.2	796.9	246.2	1,043.1	1,984	1,375
November ..	434.2	348.1	101.6	90.4	45.7	26.5	799.4	247.1	1,046.5	1,990	1,376
December ..	431.3	346.7	95.0	90.2	45.7	27.7	792.4	244.2	1,036.6	1,972	1,361
January ..	430.1	347.5	96.0	91.6	45.4	28.1	795.0	243.7	1,038.7	1,975	1,361
February ..	433.1	353.4	99.2	91.5	45.7	27.2	800.2	249.9	1,050.1	1,997	1,373
March ..	434.2	354.1	98.6	92.2	46.1	27.5	802.4	250.3	1,052.7	2,002	1,374
April ..	434.8	353.2	99.3	91.9	46.2	28.1	804.3	249.2	1,053.5	2,004	1,374
May ..	436.0	351.5	100.0	91.7	45.9	28.0	804.7	248.4	1,053.1	2,003	1,370
June ..	436.9	351.7	100.9	92.2	45.3	27.5	805.6	248.9	1,054.5	2,006	1,370
1959-60—											
July ..	438.0	351.5	102.3	92.5	45.3	27.1	807.6	249.1	1,056.7	2,010	1,370
August ..	439.1	353.2	102.1	92.8	45.5	27.0	808.8	250.9	1,059.7	2,016	1,372
September ..	442.9	355.7	101.2	93.7	46.0	27.0	812.6	253.9	1,066.5	2,028	1,378
October ..	444.6	358.1	100.0	94.0	46.1	27.0	813.8	256.0	1,069.8	2,035	1,381
November ..	447.0	360.3	97.7	94.5	46.5	27.5	815.3	258.2	1,073.5	2,042	1,383
December ..	446.8	360.5	94.2	94.6	46.2	28.4	813.7	257.0	1,070.7	2,036	1,376

(a) Factory employment figures for periods to June, 1959, represent actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories. From July, 1959, the figures are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. (b) Divided by Index of Total Population. (c) Monthly average.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN RETAIL TRADE.(a)

('000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.(b)		
							Males.	Females.	Persons.
1954-55(c) ..	96.3	69.9	31.2	24.2	19.6	7.7	129.7	120.0	249.7
1955-56(c) ..	97.7	71.4	31.7	25.3	19.8	8.0	130.6	124.3	254.9
1956-57(c) ..	96.3	71.2	32.0	24.8	19.7	7.9	130.1	123.0	253.1
1957-58(c) ..	98.8	72.5	32.5	24.7	20.0	7.8	132.4	125.2	257.6
1958-59(c) ..	99.3	74.3	32.5	25.0	20.9	7.6	134.0	127.1	261.1
1958-59—									
October ..	98.9	74.0	32.3	24.8	20.6	7.5	133.2	126.4	259.6
November ..	102.4	75.6	33.0	25.4	21.1	7.6	135.8	130.7	266.5
December ..	106.0	76.5	33.4	25.8	21.7	7.9	139.1	133.5	272.6
January ..	98.6	74.4	32.5	25.1	21.2	7.8	134.1	127.0	261.1
February ..	98.0	74.9	32.3	24.9	20.8	7.5	133.9	126.0	259.9
March ..	97.7	74.3	32.2	25.0	20.8	7.5	133.3	125.9	259.2
April ..	97.9	74.2	32.2	25.0	20.8	7.6	133.1	126.1	259.2
May ..	99.0	74.2	32.9	25.1	21.1	7.7	133.9	127.6	261.5
June ..	98.4	74.0	32.5	25.0	21.0	7.8	133.6	126.5	260.1
1959-60—									
July ..	98.4	74.0	32.6	25.0	21.0	7.8	133.6	126.4	260.0
August ..	98.5	73.9	32.7	25.0	21.1	7.7	134.1	126.3	260.4
September ..	98.8	74.3	32.8	25.2	21.2	7.7	134.3	127.2	261.5
October ..	99.1	74.7	33.1	25.5	21.6	7.8	134.8	128.5	263.3
November ..	103.5	76.9	33.5	26.2	21.9	7.9	137.1	134.3	271.4
December ..	106.7	78.7	35.0	26.3	21.8	8.2	141.0	137.2	278.2

(a) Estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. Excludes National Service trainees in camp. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Monthly average.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.(a)

(For particulars of benefits paid, see page 89.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1951-52 ..	(b) 795	162	1,348	(c) 17	57	12	(d)	(e)	2,391
1952-53 ..	617,270	6,114	4,185	(c) 841	844	256	(d)	(e)	29,510
1953-54 ..	(b) 6,859	2,856	3,177	(c) 270	427	223	(d)	(e)	18,812
1954-55 ..	1,523	576	1,459	66	157	86	..	4	3,871
1955-56 ..	1,344	447	1,544	77	473	58	..	5	3,948
1956-57 ..	4,076	3,267	2,348	681	1,940	125	..	15	12,452
1957-58 ..	8,584	5,107	5,746	1,534	2,330	505	9	32	28,847
1958-59 ..	11,624	5,820	5,066	1,641	2,852	620	6	40	27,669
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957	7,170	4,675	4,334	1,366	2,016	629	1	28	20,219
March, 1958	9,449	4,490	9,442	1,490	2,305	365	15	46	27,602
June, "	10,221	5,625	6,760	1,982	2,422	410	19	37	27,476
September, "	11,567	7,330	3,634	2,243	3,234	813	5	42	28,868
December, "	10,488	5,604	3,372	1,656	2,574	703	3	40	24,340
March, 1959	12,228	5,007	7,665	1,398	2,878	470	10	42	29,693
June, "	12,214	5,438	5,594	1,267	2,724	491	7	36	27,771
September, "	11,422	6,097	3,058	1,364	3,075	845	5	41	25,907
December "	7,698	4,226	4,272	1,135	2,370	673	4	30	20,408

SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1951-52 ..	2,593	1,584	935	695	461	218	..	..	6,486
1952-53 ..	2,991	1,706	1,027	670	433	227	..	..	7,054
1953-54 ..	3,340	1,975	1,241	693	479	239	..	..	7,967
1954-55 ..	3,337	1,994	1,284	645	459	231	5	12	7,967
1955-56 ..	3,110	1,695	1,189	637	428	229	4	11	7,808
1956-57 ..	2,973	1,610	1,130	594	458	225	3	13	7,006
1957-58 ..	3,026	1,594	1,277	604	508	230	5	18	7,262
1958-59 ..	3,460	1,889	1,379	645	594	247	5	23	8,242
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957	3,042	1,602	1,280	593	480	226	7	18	7,243
March, 1958	2,947	1,543	1,323	577	504	226	5	19	7,149
June, "	3,175	1,666	1,345	628	552	230	4	18	7,613
September, "	3,485	1,957	1,386	675	506	274	4	22	8,399
December, "	3,585	1,932	1,412	659	597	256	7	24	8,472
March, 1959	3,292	1,799	1,341	612	534	219	6	23	7,826
June, "	3,479	1,868	1,376	634	646	237	4	24	8,268
September, "	3,799	2,098	1,371	632	722	275	3	25	8,975
December "	3,796	2,151	1,404	677	714	260	5	25	9,032

(a) In addition, the average number of persons (excluding migrants in reception and training centres) receiving special benefits at end of each week were :—1951-52, 987; 1952-53, 1,372; 1953-54, 1,859; 1954-55, 1,966; 1955-56, 1,984; 1956-57, 2,015; 1957-58, 2,106; 1958-59, 2,148. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Included with South Australia. (e) Included with New South Wales.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.(a)

Period.	Dis- putes.	Workers Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti- mated Loss in Wages. £
		Di- rectly.	Indi- rectly. (b)	Total.	New Dis- putes.	Old Dis- putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.								
Year—1959 ..	547	123,558	2,493	126,051	211,352	..	211,352	819,585
1958—Dec. Qtr.	104	14,237	132	14,369	30,906	166	31,072	117,390
1959—Mar. "	117	25,361	295	25,656	48,776	..	48,776	198,874
June "	147	25,612	443	26,055	44,622	443	45,065	170,467
Sept. "	164	35,152	304	35,456	62,165	1,724	63,889	249,649
Dec. "	119	37,433	1,451	38,884	52,624	998	53,622	200,595
VICTORIA.								
Year—1959 ..	60	31,134	1,107	32,241	35,890	..	35,890	131,440
1958—Dec. Qtr.	13	1,982	799	2,781	8,504	568	9,072	30,226
1959—Mar. "	22	6,810	283	7,093	10,641	..	10,641	39,007
June "	8	5,376	19	5,395	4,720	819	5,539	22,592
Sept. "	11	11,396	6	11,402	2,982	..	2,982	10,195
Dec. "	19	7,552	799	8,351	16,728	..	16,728	59,646
QUEENSLAND.								
Year—1959 ..	175	50,883	3,996	54,879	90,777	..	90,777	330,653
1958—Dec. Qtr.	45	8,287	1,970	10,257	20,746	1,444	22,190	91,208
1959—Mar. "	40	5,044	1,054	6,098	30,792	..	30,792	99,970
June "	54	16,041	1,217	17,258	20,574	6,352	26,926	102,509
Sept. "	48	14,488	1,142	15,630	20,918	50	20,968	81,239
Dec. "	33	15,310	583	15,893	12,091	..	12,091	46,985
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1959 ..	21	5,437	..	5,437	7,487	..	7,487	24,950
1958—Dec. Qtr.	5	1,438	10	1,448	2,176	612	2,788	11,569
1959—Mar. "	2	539	..	539	630	..	630	1,870
June "	2	1,278	..	1,278	695	..	695	2,350
Sept. "	7	953	..	953	3,827	158	3,985	12,495
Dec. "	10	2,667	..	2,667	2,177	..	2,177	8,235
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1959 ..	20	10,864	383	11,247	11,243	..	11,243	39,620
1958—Dec. Qtr.	7	2,627	160	2,787	1,403	..	1,403	4,967
1959—Mar. "	4	2,111	191	2,302	1,847	..	1,847	5,245
June "	6	4,158	26	4,184	2,524	..	2,524	8,574
Sept. "	6	2,583	24	2,607	5,310	..	5,310	19,987
Dec. "	4	2,012	142	2,154	1,562	..	1,562	5,814
TASMANIA.								
Year—1959 ..	34	6,348	..	6,348	6,593	..	6,593	24,375
1958—Dec. Qtr.	8	1,432	..	1,432	632	..	632	2,228
1959—Mar. "	8	732	..	732	322	..	322	1,129
June "	15	1,971	..	1,971	2,214	..	2,214	7,742
Sept. "	8	1,799	..	1,799	2,419	..	2,419	9,363
Dec. "	3	1,846	..	1,846	1,638	..	1,638	6,141
AUSTRALIA.(c)								
Year—1959 ..	869	229,469	8,002	237,471	365,039	..	365,039	1,377,220
1958—Dec. Qtr.	188	30,439	3,071	33,510	64,625	2,790	67,415	258,557
1959—Mar. "	196	40,823	1,835	42,658	93,727	..	93,727	349,079
June "	234	54,717	1,705	56,422	75,498	7,614	83,112	314,753
Sept. "	248	66,623	1,476	68,099	97,806	1,932	99,738	383,562
Dec. "	191	67,306	2,986	70,292	87,464	998	88,462	329,826

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more. (b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. (c) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.(a)

Period.	Mining and Quarrying.		Manu- facturing.	Building and Con- struction.	Transport.		Other Groups.	All Groups.
	Coal Mining.	Other.			Steve- doring.	Other.		
NUMBER.								
1955..	777	8	277	72	308	69	21	1,532
1956.. ..	665	5	164	81	298	63	30	1,306
1957.. ..	518	7	165	50	273	64	26	1,103
1958.. ..	416	8	170	55	256	54	28	987
1959.. ..	330	15	225	38	189	53	19	869
1958— Dec. Qtr. ..	68	1	50	4	47	12	6	188
1959— March „ ..	74	3	45	9	50	9	6	196
June „ ..	95	4	53	10	54	13	5	234
Sept. „ ..	108	4	57	13	46	16	4	248
Dec. „ ..	53	4	70	6	39	15	4	191

WORKERS INVOLVED.

1955.. ..	135,543	1,105	87,295	22,297	152,245	39,350	6,812	444,647
1956.. ..	126,631	7,889	45,459	21,225	171,457	41,929	13,393	427,983
1957.. ..	110,446	3,741	40,684	32,562	114,060	31,438	4,112	337,043
1958.. ..	81,015	2,476	40,832	8,788	134,095	11,180	4,463	282,849
1959.. ..	42,705	10,654	71,085	9,108	72,345	21,251	10,323	237,471
1958— Dec. Qtr. ..	10,130	239	12,265	409	6,836	3,179	452	33,510
1959— March „ ..	12,310	4,765	11,534	602	11,567	1,429	451	42,658
June „ ..	11,656	797	16,641	3,049	17,950	5,092	1,237	56,422
Sept. „ ..	10,803	4,400	22,291	1,681	16,487	12,222	215	68,099
Dec. „ ..	7,936	692	20,619	3,776	26,341	2,508	8,420	70,292

WORKING DAYS LOST.

1955.. ..	225,336	9,106	493,075	69,443	152,521	36,011	25,392	1,010,884
1956.. ..	198,354	12,633	284,717	68,073	480,056	41,606	35,944	1,121,383
1957.. ..	206,977	5,209	205,381	45,907	128,532	34,111	4,096	630,213
1958.. ..	150,793	3,131	116,826	34,343	108,493	19,117	7,187	439,890
1959.. ..	69,648	18,106	180,376	21,507	58,695	8,596	8,111	365,039
1958— Dec. Qtr. ..	16,387	883	34,948	2,147	4,296	7,645	1,109	67,415
1959— March „ ..	16,222	10,645	55,162	1,456	8,802	758	682	93,727
June „ ..	16,649	1,520	36,602	7,614	16,572	2,617	1,538	83,112
Sept. „ ..	22,210	5,149	48,717	6,373	14,062	2,926	301	99,738
Dec. „ ..	14,567	792	39,895	6,064	19,259	2,295	5,590	88,462

ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES.
(£.)

1955.. ..	789,322	31,661	1,533,880	234,596	529,381	112,223	79,258	3,310,321
1956.. ..	683,710	69,840	1,033,759	259,582	1,678,774	130,882	110,514	3,967,061
1957.. ..	761,109	30,356	740,512	162,153	449,938	149,951	14,603	2,308,622
1958.. ..	554,488	13,160	425,919	120,816	379,590	72,128	24,502	1,590,603
1959.. ..	262,477	96,043	655,589	90,266	217,101	26,866	28,878	1,377,220
1958— Dec. Qtr. ..	61,164	4,410	129,910	10,735	15,044	33,293	4,001	258,557
1959— March „ ..	60,364	58,763	187,781	6,472	30,797	2,823	2,079	349,079
June „ ..	63,985	6,820	138,531	30,662	60,668	8,900	5,187	314,753
Sept. „ ..	83,167	25,550	183,302	28,896	52,814	9,170	663	383,562
Dec. „ ..	54,961	4,910	145,975	24,236	72,822	5,973	20,949	329,826

(a) See notes on page 98.

TRADE UNIONS AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1954	228	158	129	138	154	98	18	29	(a) 371
1955	235	160	130	138	154	101	20	32	372
1956	237	162	135	140	157	101	23	33	375
1957	235	162	133	137	156	98	21	33	373
1958	231	161	131	136	156	98	20	30	370
1959	234	159	129	135	154	97	23	29	369
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.									
1954	732,737	433,891	305,304	147,555	109,589	50,290	2,168	5,970	1,787,504
1955	731,960	446,372	305,509	146,422	111,959	51,401	2,440	5,799	1,801,862
1956	736,152	441,286	314,782	147,728	110,447	52,708	2,352	5,953	1,811,408
1957	737,358	443,040	310,821	144,914	114,095	51,951	2,408	5,567	1,810,154
1958	731,375	444,150	313,744	147,029	114,494	51,608	2,433	6,485	1,811,218
1959	741,610	461,314	322,150	147,093	114,497	54,136	2,552	7,375	1,850,727

(a) Without interstate duplication. The State figures do not add to the Australian total because a union represented in more than one State is included in the figure for each State in which it is represented, but is counted only once in the Australian total.

AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS.(a)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns (which cover approximately 73 per cent. of the estimated number of civilian wage and salary earners in employment), from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the Defence Forces is not included. An index of average weekly earnings, seasonally adjusted, is published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and the *Monthly Bulletin of Employment Statistics*.

Period.	New South Wales. (b)	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia. (c)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000).							
1954-55 ..	17,970	12,901	5,601	3,940	2,928	1,399	44,739
1955-56 ..	19,764	14,144	6,033	4,330	3,104	1,521	48,896
1956-57 ..	20,943	14,925	6,457	4,507	3,177	1,635	51,644
1957-58 ..	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1958-59 ..	22,414	16,240	6,970	4,823	3,347	1,725	55,519
1958-59— December Qtr.	23,601	16,970	7,387	4,984	3,494	1,798	58,234
March ..	21,185	15,377	6,501	4,599	3,122	1,666	52,450
June ..	22,740	16,787	7,010	4,930	3,381	1,790	56,638
1959-60— September ..	23,445	17,397	7,364	5,270	3,537	1,756	58,769
December ..	25,351	18,442	7,558	5,443	3,693	1,883	62,370
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£).(d)							
1954-55 ..	17.64	17.59	15.58	16.83	16.11	16.54	17.13
1955-56 ..	18.92	18.78	16.49	17.88	16.92	17.75	18.23
1956-57 ..	19.89	19.70	17.50	18.28	17.48	18.79	19.16
1957-58 ..	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.67
1958-59 ..	21.04	20.69	18.64	19.10	18.19	19.33	20.19
1958-59— December Qtr.	22.11	21.85	19.72	19.89	18.97	20.22	21.23
March ..	19.88	19.44	17.50	18.14	16.95	18.53	19.03
June ..	21.32	20.97	18.78	19.20	18.33	19.96	20.44
1959-60— September ..	21.91	21.72	19.60	20.39	19.19	19.82	21.15
December ..	23.41	22.80	20.30	20.91	19.91	20.97	22.28

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and, because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE.—As quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences, comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years.

NEW INDEXES OF MINIMUM WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK.

NOTE.—The indexes of nominal weekly and hourly wage rates and hours of work for adult males and adult females published in issues prior to No. 237, September, 1959, used as base periods the year 1911 for adult males and 30th April, 1914, for adult females. The indexes for each industry were the unweighted averages of selected occupations. These industry indexes were combined into aggregate indexes by using industry weights current in or about 1911.

The indexes so compiled have now been replaced by new indexes embracing a more representative range of occupations closely related to current conditions as from 1939 for adult males and 1951 for adult females.

Each of the occupations included in the new indexes was individually weighted. From the wage rates and hours of work for these occupations weighted averages were calculated for each industry, and these were then combined into weighted averages for all groups. In the following tables the weighted averages so calculated are shown in shillings and pence and also as index numbers with the weighted average for the year 1954 as base (= 100).

A brief explanation of the methods by which the data for the new indexes were obtained and of the system of weighting is given in Statistical Bulletin No. 786—*New Indexes of Minimum Weekly Wage Rates—Adult Males and Adult Females*, 19th February, 1960.

This bulletin also contained tables showing, for each industrial group for Australia and for all groups combined for each State, the weighted average minimum weekly rates of wage and index numbers with the weighted average for the year 1954 as base (=100), as at the end of each quarter from 31st March, 1939 (for adult males) and 31st March, 1951 (for adult females).

MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES(a) : ALL GROUPS.

Indexes of Weighted Average Minimum Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work (excluding Overtime), as prescribed in Awards, Determinations and Agreements and Index Numbers of Wage Rates.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.(b)

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
31st December, 1954	293	3	284	10	275	7	281	7	287	2	287	8	286	10
" " 1955	305	3	295	7	283	6	285	0	300	1	293	7	297	0
" " 1956	322	9	309	7	302	9	296	4	312	10	313	11	313	0
" " 1957	324	6	316	0	304	4	306	11	321	7	318	6	317	5
" " 1958	328	8	319	8	317	8	312	4	324	0	323	3	322	8
" " 1959	348	3	343	8	334	0	338	11	338	10	345	7	343	6

ADULT MALES—INDEX NUMBERS (BASE: AUSTRALIA, 1954 = 100).

	103.8	100.9	97.6	99.7	101.7	101.9	101.6
31st December, 1954	103.8	100.9	97.6	99.7	101.7	101.9	101.6
" " 1955	108.1	104.7	100.4	100.9	106.3	104.0	105.2
" " 1956	114.3	109.6	107.2	104.9	110.8	111.2	110.8
" " 1957	114.9	111.9	107.8	108.7	113.9	112.8	112.4
" " 1958	116.4	113.2	112.5	110.6	114.7	114.5	114.3
" " 1959	123.3	121.7	118.3	120.0	120.0	122.4	121.6

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.(b)

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
31st December, 1954	201	3	200	9	190	5	199	11	190	5	197	7	199	2
" " 1955	209	8	210	5	194	3	201	9	197	9	200	0	206	11
" " 1956	221	5	220	3	202	11	209	3	206	3	215	3	217	3
" " 1957	223	8	225	0	206	1	219	6	212	5	219	0	221	8
" " 1958	228	11	227	6	215	3	223	9	213	11	221	3	225	8
" " 1959	248	10	241	1	229	6	238	11	223	7	234	1	241	10

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX NUMBERS (BASE: AUSTRALIA, 1954 = 100).

	101.1	100.8	95.6	100.4	95.6	99.2	100.0
31st December, 1954	101.1	100.8	95.6	100.4	95.6	99.2	100.0
" " 1955	105.3	105.7	97.6	101.3	99.3	100.5	103.9
" " 1956	111.2	110.6	101.9	105.1	103.6	108.1	109.1
" " 1957	112.4	113.0	103.5	110.3	106.7	110.0	111.1
" " 1958	115.0	114.3	108.1	112.4	107.5	111.1	113.4
" " 1959	125.0	121.1	115.3	120.0	112.3	117.6	121.5

(a) Excludes rural. (b) The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends.

**WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES OF WAGE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK :
ADULT MALES, INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.(a)**

Indexes of Weighted Average Minimum Weekly Rates (payable for a Full Week's Work, excluding Overtime) and Weekly Hours of Work, as prescribed in Awards, Determinations and Agreements and Indexes of Hourly Rates.

Industrial Group.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Mining and Quarrying (b) ..	437 5	347 7	396 7	333 5	360 6	355 7	405 9
Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	344 1	344 8	340 5	344 7	345 3	353 2	344 3
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear ..	334 3	330 11	330 0	322 6	332 0	324 11	331 6
Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	336 3	348 9	329 6	332 7	337 7	342 4	338 9
Sawmilling, Furniture, etc. ..	346 2	335 11	313 11	340 3	329 4	340 6	335 0
Paper, Printing, etc. ..	361 2	367 6	361 5	358 8	379 5	348 0	362 10
Other Manufacturing ..	336 2	334 5	321 6	335 3	328 0	338 10	333 11
All Manufacturing Groups ..	342 2	342 4	332 0	341 1	338 11	345 3	340 11
Building and Construction ..	347 6	356 0	317 9	338 2	340 8	344 10	343 0
Railway Services ..	346 11	325 9	337 5	329 10	330 4	345 4	336 8
Road and Air Transport ..	350 8	339 11	312 1	331 3	336 0	342 6	339 7
Shipping and Stevedoring (c) ..	339 1	340 1	334 10	339 9	335 8	338 9	338 5
Communication ..	386 5	382 11	381 2	380 7	381 8	377 3	383 7
Wholesale and Retail Trade ..	341 11	342 4	334 6	334 6	334 5	343 1	339 8
Public Administration and Professional ..	340 5	334 11	325 8	326 0	326 1	347 6	333 10
Amusement, Sport and Recreation ..	377 5	358 11	344 6	408 9	349 7	345 1	364 11
Hotels, etc. and Personal Service ..	327 1	315 6	307 8	310 11	316 4	327 1	319 4
All Industrial Groups (d) ..	349 0	343 9	334 1	339 1	339 7	345 10	343 10

HOURLY RATES OF WAGE (PENCE).

	133.16	104.27	118.97	100.76	111.55	106.67	123.23
Mining and Quarrying (b) ..	133.16	104.27	118.97	100.76	111.55	106.67	123.23
Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	103.22	103.40	102.13	103.37	103.58	105.95	103.28
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear ..	100.28	99.28	99.00	96.75	99.60	97.48	99.45
Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	101.03	104.63	98.85	99.77	101.27	102.70	101.68
Sawmilling, Furniture, etc. ..	103.85	100.78	94.18	102.08	98.80	102.15	100.50
Paper, Printing, etc. ..	108.35	110.42	108.43	107.60	116.12	104.40	108.99
Other Manufacturing ..	100.85	100.43	96.45	100.83	98.15	101.73	100.23
All Manufacturing Groups ..	102.68	102.72	99.60	102.38	101.73	103.58	102.30
Building and Construction ..	104.25	106.80	95.33	101.45	102.20	103.45	102.90
Railway Services ..	104.08	97.82	101.23	98.95	99.10	103.60	101.03
Road and Air Transport ..	105.20	101.98	93.62	99.38	100.80	102.75	101.87
Communication ..	115.93	114.88	114.35	115.36	114.50	114.35	115.22
Wholesale and Retail Trade ..	102.58	102.70	100.35	100.35	100.33	102.92	101.90
Public Administration and Professional ..	104.13	103.24	98.89	99.72	98.86	105.54	102.06
Amusement, Sport and Recreation ..	113.23	107.68	103.35	122.63	104.87	104.39	109.53
Hotels, etc. and Personal Service ..	98.12	94.65	92.30	93.28	94.90	98.12	95.80
All Industrial Groups (e) ..	104.91	103.23	100.25	101.80	102.18	103.95	103.30

WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK.

	39.42	40.00	40.00	39.71	38.78	40.00	39.51
Mining and Quarrying (b) ..	39.42	40.00	40.00	39.71	38.78	40.00	39.51
Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	39.94	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
Paper, Printing, etc. ..	40.00	39.94	40.00	40.00	39.21	40.00	39.95
Other Manufacturing ..	40.00	39.96	40.00	39.90	40.10	39.97	39.98
All Manufacturing Groups ..	39.99	39.99	40.00	39.98	39.98	40.00	39.99
Railway Services ..	40.00	39.96	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.99
Communication ..	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.59	40.00	39.59	39.95
Public Administration and Professional ..	39.23	38.93	39.52	39.23	39.58	39.51	39.25
Amusement, Sport and Recreation ..	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.67	39.98
All Other Groups (f) ..	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
All Industrial Groups (e) ..	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96

(a) The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money and hour terms, indicative of trends. (b) For mining, the average rates of wage and hours are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (c) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than masters, officers and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied. (d) Excludes Rural.

(e) Excludes Rural and Shipping and Stevedoring, for which definite particulars for the computation of average hours of work and hourly rates of wage are not available. (f) Engineering, Metal Works, etc.; Textiles, Clothing and Footwear; Sawmilling, Furniture, etc.; Building and Construction; Road and Air Transport; Wholesale and Retail Trade; and Hotels, etc. and Personal Service.

**WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES OF WAGE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK :
ADULT FEMALES, INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.(a)**

Indexes of Weighted Average Minimum Weekly Rates (payable for a Full Week's Work, excluding Overtime) and Weekly Hours of Work, as prescribed in Awards, Determinations and Agreements and Indexes of Hourly Rates.

Industrial Group.	N.S.W.		Vic.		Qld.		S.A.		W.A.		Tas.		Aust.	
WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE.														
	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Engineering, Metal Works, etc. . .	246	3	240	3	222	0	234	4	216	6	235	3	241	2
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear . .	239	3	235	10	236	10	238	2	235	10	229	3	237	3
Food, Drink and Tobacco . .	245	1	235	6	223	5	233	6	201	6	233	10	235	11
Other Manufacturing . .	242	10	238	4	224	3	234	2	214	10	233	4	238	5
All Manufacturing Groups . .	242	3	236	11	229	7	235	2	221	1	231	11	238	0
Transport and Communication . .	260	4	253	1	248	6	251	2	238	8	254	4	254	4
Wholesale and Retail Trade . .	260	2	248	6	229	9	244	5	219	3	228	6	247	6
Public Administration and Professional . .	253	4	249	2	231	1	240	2	214	1	257	3	244	3
Hotels, etc. and Personal Service . .	243	4	232	6	213	6	225	5	242	4	236	2	235	4
All Industrial Groups . .	249	1	241	1	229	6	238	11	223	7	234	1	242	0

HOURLY RATES OF WAGE (PENCE).

Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	73.93	72.31	66.60	70.30	64.95	70.58	72.46
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear ..	71.86	70.75	71.05	71.45	70.75	68.78	71.21
Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	73.52	70.65	67.03	70.05	60.45	70.15	70.78
Other Manufacturing ..	73.23	71.61	67.23	70.50	64.45	70.00	71.76
All Manufacturing Groups ..	72.82	71.13	68.87	70.60	66.32	69.58	71.49
Transport and Communication ..	82.12	80.05	78.87	79.65	75.61	84.08	80.51
Wholesale and Retail Trade ..	78.94	74.55	68.93	73.33	65.78	68.55	74.59
Public Administration and Professional ..	78.98	76.18	70.67	73.54	65.14	81.88	75.60
Hotels, etc. and Personal Service ..	73.92	69.75	64.05	67.63	72.70	70.85	71.01
All Industrial Groups ..	75.61	72.67	69.37	72.09	67.44	71.01	73.20

WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK.

Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	39.97	39.87	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.94
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear ..	39.95	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
Other Manufacturing ..	39.79	39.94	40.00	39.86	40.00	40.00	39.87
All Manufacturing Groups ..	39.92	39.97	40.00	39.97	40.00	40.00	39.95
Transport and Communication ..	38.04	37.94	37.81	37.84	37.88	36.30	37.91
Wholesale and Retail Trade ..	39.55	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.82
Public Administration and Professional ..	38.49	39.25	39.24	39.19	39.44	37.70	38.93
Hotels, etc. and Personal Service ..	39.50	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.77
All Industrial Groups ..	39.53	39.81	39.70	39.77	39.78	39.56	39.67

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES FOR ADULT MALES UNDER AWARDS OF COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION COMMISSION.(a)

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
September, 1939	81 0	81 0	76 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	79 0
November, 1947	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
" 1948	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
" 1949	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	129 0	128 0	129 0
" 1950	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	139 0	139 0	142 0
December, 1950	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	160 0	160 0	162 0
November, 1951	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0
May, 1952	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August, 1952	235 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November, 1952	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
February, 1953	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May, 1953	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	232 0	234 0
August, 1953(b)	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	239 0	236 0
June, 1956(c)	253 0	245 0	228 0	241 0	246 0	252 0	246 0
May, 1957(d)	263 0	255 0	238 0	251 0	256 0	262 0	256 0
May, 1958(e)	268 0	260 0	243 0	256 0	261 0	267 0	261 0
June, 1959(f)	283 0	275 0	258 0	271 0	276 0	282 0	276 0

(a) Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration prior to 30th June, 1956. Rates operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing in months shown (to May, 1953). (b) By decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on 12th September, 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards.

(c) As a result of the 1956 Basic Wage Inquiry, increased by 10s. a week payable from the first pay-period commencing on or after 15th May, 1957 (1957 Basic Wage Inquiry). (d) Increased by 10s. a week payable from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 21st May 1953 (1953 Basic Wage Inquiry). (e) Increased by 5s. a week as from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 11th June, 1959 (1959 Basic Wage Inquiry). (f) Increased by 15s. a week as from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 11th June, 1959 (1959 Basic Wage Inquiry).

NOTE.—Since December, 1950, the female basic wage has been 75 per cent. of the corresponding male rate; previously it had ranged between 54 per cent. and 75 per cent.

STATE BASIC WAGES—WEEKLY RATES.

State	November, 1959.			February, 1960.		
	Date of Operation. (a).	Males.	Females.	Date of Operation. (a).	Males.	Females.
New South Wales(b)—		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Metropolitan and Country, excluding Broken Hill ..	Nov., 1959	279 0	209 0	Feb., 1960	283 0	212 0
Broken Hill	Nov., 1959	276 0	207 0	Feb., 1960	280 0	210 0
Victoria(c)	June, 1959	275 0	206 0	June, 1959	275 0	206 0
Queensland(d)—						
Southern Division (Eastern District), including Brisbane	26.10.59	267 0	182 0	1.2.60	269 0	184 0
Southern Division (Western District)	26.10.59	277 6	187 3	1.2.60	279 6	189 3
Mackay Division	26.10.59	276 0	186 6	1.2.60	278 0	188 6
Northern Division (Eastern District)	26.10.59	277 6	187 3	1.2.60	279 6	189 3
Northern Division (Western District)	26.10.59	299 6	198 3	1.2.60	301 6	200 3
South Australia(e)	15.6.59	271 0	203 0	15.6.59	271 0	203 0
Western Australia(f)—						
Metropolitan Area	26.10.59	281 6	183 0	26.10.59	281 6	(g) 211 2
South-West Land Division	26.10.59	281 3	182 10	26.10.59	281 3	(g) 210 11
Goldfield and other areas	26.10.59	277 4	180 3	26.10.59	277 4	(g) 208 0
Tasmania(h)	July, 1959	282 0	211 6	July, 1959	282 0	211 6

(a) Where dates are not quoted wage rates operate from beginning of first pay-period in month shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustment operative in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers.

(c) Rates shown (Melbourne) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. By amendment to the Labour and Industry Act, automatic quarterly adjustment to the basic wage was discontinued after the August, 1956 adjustment. During June and July, 1959, Wages Boards varied determinations by adopting the Commonwealth basic wage rate.

(d) The Queensland Industrial Court each quarter announces the variation, if any, in the basic wage, after considering movements in the "C" Series retail price index numbers.

(e) Automatic quarterly adjustments not operative. The "living wage" declared for the metropolitan area (at present equal to the Commonwealth basic wage for Adelaide) is also adopted in country areas, except at Whyalla where a loading of 5s. is generally payable.

(f) The Western Australian Court of Arbitration each quarter announces any variations in the basic wage after considering a statement, prepared by the Government Statistician, which shows the movement in the "C" Series retail price index number.

(g) From the beginning of the first pay-period in February, 1960, the female basic wage rate was increased from 65 per cent. to 75 per cent. of the male basic wage rate.

(h) Rates quoted (Hobart) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. Automatic quarterly adjustments were suspended by the majority of Wages Boards following the adjustment payable in August, 1956. Most Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate from July, 1959.

SECTION XI.—PRICES.

THE INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

For a description of the structure and scope of the Interim Index and a comparison with that of the "C" Series, see *Labour Report* No. 46, 1958, pages 7-15.

INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

(Base of each Index : Year 1952-53=100.)

NOTE.—The index numbers hereunder are designed to measure aggregate variations in retail prices of specified groups of items for specified cities individually. They measure variations from time to time and not differences in price level as between cities nor comparative costs of groups of items.

City.	Year ended June.					1958.	1959.				
	1953.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	
GROUP I.—FOOD (EXCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).											
Sydney ..	100.0	106.7	111.4	113.6	114.1	113.8	114.2	114.9	116.1	117.8	
Melbourne ..	100.0	109.9	114.2	114.9	116.5	115.2	116.7	118.7	119.1	119.1	
Brisbane ..	100.0	104.7	108.4	113.3	118.4	117.6	119.6	120.2	121.4	121.8	
Adelaide ..	100.0	108.7	111.1	112.2	118.0	116.9	118.4	120.7	121.2	120.3	
Perth ..	100.0	111.0	115.8	115.0	116.0	114.7	115.6	117.9	118.0	116.2	
Hobart ..	100.0	111.3	115.3	114.7	116.4	117.0	116.3	116.7	116.7	116.0	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	108.1	112.4	114.0	115.8	115.1	116.1	117.4	118.2	118.7	

GROUP I.—FOOD (INCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).

Sydney ..	100.0	109.0	114.4	112.9	113.7	113.4	114.3	114.6	115.8	117.2	
Melbourne ..	100.0	112.9	118.6	115.1	117.0	115.7	118.0	119.4	119.9	120.2	
Brisbane ..	100.0	108.1	112.1	113.4	119.0	118.1	120.9	120.6	122.2	121.9	
Adelaide ..	100.0	111.1	114.9	111.9	118.0	117.2	119.1	120.5	121.1	120.8	
Perth ..	100.0	111.3	116.8	115.4	116.4	114.9	116.1	118.5	119.3	117.1	
Hobart ..	100.0	113.6	118.3	114.4	116.5	116.6	117.5	117.1	117.4	116.9	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	110.6	115.8	113.7	115.9	115.1	116.7	117.6	118.5	118.9	

GROUP II.—CLOTHING AND DRAPERY.

Sydney ..	100.0	103.0	105.9	108.8	110.0	110.0	109.8	110.3	110.6	112.0	
Melbourne ..	100.0	103.9	106.4	110.5	111.6	111.6	111.4	111.8	112.1	113.5	
Brisbane ..	100.0	103.3	105.8	109.2	110.9	110.9	110.7	111.5	112.1	113.7	
Adelaide ..	100.0	102.9	103.9	107.1	107.9	108.0	107.6	107.8	108.7	109.8	
Perth ..	100.0	103.0	105.4	108.5	110.3	110.5	110.3	110.6	111.0	111.6	
Hobart ..	100.0	104.6	107.8	110.6	112.1	112.4	112.2	112.1	112.8	113.7	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	103.3	105.8	109.2	110.4	110.5	110.3	110.7	111.1	112.4	

GROUP III.—RENT(b) (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES).

Sydney ..	100.0	111.3	113.5	118.8	124.8	124.2	125.5	126.4	127.4	128.4	
Melbourne ..	100.0	111.9	123.3	127.1	133.6	132.7	134.8	136.3	139.5	143.1	
Brisbane ..	100.0	107.0	111.0	120.8	141.9	141.7	142.2	144.8	146.3	147.3	
Adelaide ..	100.0	114.9	124.8	134.6	144.9	144.8	145.7	146.2	148.1	150.4	
Perth ..	100.0	159.1	169.2	176.2	183.9	183.5	184.5	185.4	186.7	188.3	
Hobart ..	100.0	126.1	151.9	160.4	171.1	168.7	173.8	175.7	183.1	193.8	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	115.5	122.5	128.4	136.5	136.0	137.4	138.6	140.6	142.8	

GROUP IV.—OTHER ITEMS.(c)

Sydney ..	100.0	103.6	121.5	124.8	125.7	125.5	125.7	126.3	126.4	127.2	
Melbourne ..	100.0	109.6	116.4	117.7	125.9	127.7	127.8	128.3	128.7	129.6	
Brisbane ..	100.0	110.1	117.9	120.0	124.8	125.4	125.8	126.2	127.0	128.4	
Adelaide ..	100.0	103.7	107.9	111.2	113.0	112.6	113.3	113.5	117.5	119.1	
Perth ..	100.0	106.4	113.7	115.8	116.9	116.6	117.1	117.3	117.7	120.2	
Hobart ..	100.0	110.3	120.1	121.4	124.8	125.2	125.3	125.8	126.3	127.2	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	106.4	117.8	120.2	123.9	124.5	124.7	125.2	125.8	126.9	

NOTE.—For footnotes see page 106.

Interim Retail Price Index Numbers—*continued.*

(Base of each Index: Year 1952-53 = 100.)

City.	Year ended June.					1958.	1959.			
	1953.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.

ALL GROUPS (EXCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).

Sydney	..	100.0	105.3	113.0	116.0	117.2	117.1	117.3	117.9	118.6	119.9
Melbourne	..	100.0	108.4	113.5	115.5	119.3	119.2	119.9	121.0	121.6	122.6
Brisbane	..	100.0	105.9	110.3	114.5	119.9	119.8	120.7	121.4	122.4	123.4
Adelaide	..	100.0	106.3	109.5	112.6	116.4	115.9	116.6	117.6	119.2	119.8
Perth	..	100.0	112.6	117.9	119.7	121.6	121.0	121.6	122.7	123.1	123.3
Hobart	..	100.0	110.6	118.0	119.7	122.6	122.8	123.0	123.4	124.4	125.6
Six Capitals(a)		100.0	107.0	113.0	115.7	118.4	118.3	118.8	119.7	120.4	121.4

ALL GROUPS (INCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).

Sydney	..	100.0	106.1	114.1	115.7	117.0	116.9	117.3	117.8	118.4	119.7
Melbourne	..	100.0	109.5	115.1	115.6	119.4	119.4	120.3	121.3	121.9	122.9
Brisbane	..	100.0	107.1	111.7	114.5	120.2	120.0	121.1	121.5	122.7	123.5
Adelaide	..	100.0	107.2	110.9	112.5	116.4	116.0	116.8	117.5	119.2	120.0
Perth	..	100.0	112.7	118.3	119.3	121.7	121.1	121.7	122.9	123.5	123.6
Hobart	..	100.0	111.5	119.1	119.5	122.6	122.5	123.4	123.5	124.6	125.9
Six Capitals(a)		100.0	108.0	114.3	115.6	118.5	118.3	119.0	119.7	120.5	121.5

(a) Weighted average.

(b) *Rent.*—The rent index numbers shown in the table above and elsewhere in this publication measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account.

(c) A group of items under the following headings—Electricity, Gas and Firewood; Household Sundries; Services; Cinema Admission, Radio Licence and Newspapers; Fares; and Tobacco and Cigarettes.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

NOTE.—The retail price index numbers on this and the next four pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capital Cities are made equal to 1,000.

"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—CAPITAL CITIES.

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of rent, food and groceries, etc. since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

combination is made equal to 1,000.

City.	1938.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	1958.		1959.			
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
<p>GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES.</p> <p>(Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.)(a)</p>												
Sydney	2,998	3,054	3,121	3,153	3,088	3,105	3,101	3,120	3,167	3,225
Melbourne	2,974	3,019	3,018	3,143	3,019	3,030	3,074	3,135	3,170	3,194
Brisbane	2,598	2,699	2,886	3,033	2,888	2,939	2,981	2,987	3,063	3,101
Adelaide	2,709	2,717	2,790	3,006	2,853	2,899	2,936	3,007	3,044	3,036
Perth	2,997	3,034	2,980	3,056	3,008	2,963	2,997	3,068	3,100	3,058
Hobart	3,025	3,035	3,046	3,066	3,054	3,033	3,074	3,069	3,074	3,048
Six Capitals(b)	2,923	2,973	3,021	3,116	3,017	3,037	3,057	3,096	3,139	3,170

GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES. (Including Potatoes and Onions.)												
Sydney ..	..	904	2,871	3,160	3,045	3,084	3,136	3,044	3,081	3,099	3,103	3,147
Melbourne ..	..	884	2,854	3,180	3,039	3,009	3,170	2,998	3,046	3,114	3,152	3,190
Brisbane ..	..	838	2,526	2,719	2,648	2,816	2,972	2,820	2,874	2,945	2,919	3,006
Adelaide ..	..	861	2,657	2,871	2,710	2,768	2,998	2,815	2,894	2,946	2,984	3,024
Perth ..	..	899	2,868	3,004	3,046	2,972	3,071	2,998	2,963	3,000	3,078	3,129
Hobart ..	..	880	2,925	3,142	3,019	3,000	3,068	2,987	3,046	3,091	3,055	3,072
Six Capitals ^(b)	..	886	2,811	3,084	2,971	2,993	3,111	2,981	3,022	3,067	3,086	3,132

GROUP II.—RENT ^(c) —(4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES).												
Sydney ..	..	1,004	1,338	1,360	1,409	1,478	1,538	1,491	1,506	1,521	1,532	1,543
Melbourne ..	..	935	1,008	1,195	1,229	1,272	1,352	1,279	1,298	1,317	1,333	1,361
Brisbane ..	..	841	1,027	1,052	1,104	1,262	1,406	1,347	1,373	1,378	1,402	1,417
Adelaide ..	..	868	1,247	1,358	1,468	1,592	1,674	1,618	1,640	1,651	1,657	1,680
Perth ..	..	872	1,843	1,972	2,060	2,154	2,221	2,171	2,189	2,200	2,211	2,226
Hobart ..	..	913	1,275	1,692	1,816	1,923	2,109	1,935	1,965	2,024	2,047	2,126
Six Capitals ^(b)	..	942	1,226	1,325	1,380	1,460	1,536	1,476	1,495	1,510	1,524	1,544

GROUP III.—CLOTHING.												
Sydney ..	..	833	3,268	3,292	3,387	3,441	3,481	3,447	3,454	3,446	3,469	3,481
Melbourne ..	..	820	3,230	3,267	3,378	3,447	3,483	3,457	3,456	3,447	3,471	3,479
Brisbane ..	..	823	3,141	3,152	3,252	3,318	3,378	3,322	3,340	3,331	3,353	3,382
Adelaide ..	..	857	3,237	3,224	3,283	3,343	3,350	3,356	3,331	3,319	3,325	3,355
Perth ..	..	823	3,221	3,241	3,322	3,387	3,426	3,392	3,413	3,401	3,413	3,432
Hobart ..	..	848	3,261	3,309	3,404	3,465	3,502	3,468	3,459	3,478	3,479	3,509
Six Capitals ^(b)	..	829	3,237	3,261	3,357	3,418	3,455	3,426	3,429	3,420	3,440	3,455

GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.												
Sydney ..	..	936	2,037	2,206	2,420	2,458	2,466	2,464	2,466	2,464	2,461	2,466
Melbourne ..	..	982	2,129	2,309	2,382	2,459	2,585	2,448	2,585	2,584	2,581	2,585
Brisbane ..	..	947	2,022	2,166	2,266	2,315	2,380	2,306	2,368	2,374	2,375	2,385
Adelaide ..	..	1,023	2,145	2,216	2,304	2,357	2,402	2,364	2,364	2,360	2,359	2,434
Perth ..	..	949	2,095	2,190	2,304	2,328	2,349	2,331	2,334	2,341	2,344	2,345
Hobart ..	..	933	2,123	2,232	2,351	2,390	2,432	2,389	2,427	2,429	2,429	2,432
Six Capitals ^(b)	..	961	2,081	2,236	2,372	2,424	2,481	2,423	2,475	2,474	2,473	2,484

(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) See

note (b) on page 106.

"C" Series Retail Price Index Numbers—Capital Cities—continued.

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

City.	1938.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	1958.		1959.			
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.

ALL GROUPS.

(Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions).^(a)

Sydney ..	..	..	2,525	2,618	2,677	2,713	2,671	2,682	2,682	2,696	2,719	2,754
Melbourne ..	..	..	2,492	2,555	2,595	2,689	2,597	2,634	2,648	2,678	2,700	2,729
Brisbane ..	..	..	2,272	2,361	2,495	2,599	2,508	2,547	2,562	2,575	2,613	2,644
Adelaide ..	..	..	2,408	2,466	2,545	2,650	2,577	2,593	2,605	2,632	2,672	2,689
Perth ..	..	..	2,653	2,726	2,748	2,804	2,764	2,758	2,771	2,801	2,821	2,821
Hobart ..	..	..	2,622	2,699	2,749	2,817	2,755	2,788	2,793	2,797	2,825	2,851
Six Capitals ^(b)	..	..	2,489	2,567	2,626	2,696	2,630	2,652	2,660	2,681	2,707	2,735

ALL GROUPS.

(Including Potatoes and Onions.)

Sydney ..	..	913	2,439	2,584	2,614	2,663	2,707	2,654	2,678	2,681	2,690	2,711	2,744
Melbourne ..	..	896	2,365	2,567	2,562	2,590	2,698	2,588	2,635	2,662	2,684	2,706	2,738
Brisbane ..	..	852	2,211	2,316	2,343	2,471	2,578	2,484	2,525	2,550	2,552	2,595	2,615
Adelaide ..	..	888	2,354	2,466	2,463	2,536	2,647	2,563	2,591	2,609	2,625	2,665	2,690
Perth ..	..	882	2,554	2,655	2,729	2,743	2,807	2,758	2,755	2,770	2,803	2,830	2,824
Hobart ..	..	887	2,458	2,663	2,690	2,728	2,812	2,727	2,767	2,795	2,787	2,819	2,846
Six Capitals ^(b)	..	897	2,393	2,547	2,565	2,615	2,694	2,616	2,646	2,663	2,677	2,704	2,732

^(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.

^(b) Weighted average.

"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	Including Potatoes and Onions.					Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.(a)				
	1958.		1959.			1958.		1959.		
	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney	3,081	3,099	3,103	3,147	3,196	3,105	3,101	3,120	3,167	3,225
Newcastle	3,129	3,165	3,171	3,248	3,298	3,187	3,188	3,212	3,287	3,343
Broken Hill	3,233	3,318	3,289	3,300	3,369	3,278	3,316	3,320	3,334	3,378
Goulburn	3,266	3,270	3,273	3,280	3,378	3,285	3,271	3,315	3,320	3,398
Bathurst	3,103	3,152	3,208	3,218	3,325	3,162	3,179	3,247	3,268	3,356
FIVE TOWNS(b)	3,089	3,110	3,115	3,159	3,210	3,117	3,114	3,134	3,182	3,240
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	3,046	3,114	3,152	3,190	3,222	3,039	3,074	3,135	3,170	3,194
Ballarat	3,121	3,170	3,161	3,227	3,269	3,151	3,158	3,188	3,244	3,266
Bendigo	3,130	3,187	3,241	3,262	3,332	3,144	3,170	3,260	3,282	3,339
Geelong	3,055	3,108	3,132	3,137	3,150	3,065	3,101	3,166	3,171	3,159
Warrnambool	3,161	3,198	3,220	3,294	3,328	3,189	3,200	3,249	3,315	3,339
FIVE TOWNS(b)	3,052	3,119	3,155	3,192	3,225	3,047	3,081	3,142	3,177	3,200
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	2,874	2,945	2,919	3,006	3,016	2,939	2,981	2,987	3,063	3,101
Toowoomba	2,858	2,898	2,869	2,925	2,981	2,916	2,916	2,923	2,971	3,004
Rockhampton	2,822	2,952	2,953	3,042	3,038	2,882	2,972	3,010	3,104	3,121
Townsville	3,030	3,195	3,119	3,213	3,256	3,121	3,242	3,185	3,277	3,346
Bundaberg	2,916	2,995	3,003	3,077	3,099	2,975	3,010	3,057	3,152	3,185
FIVE TOWNS(b)	2,881	2,961	2,934	3,019	3,030	2,946	2,994	2,999	3,076	3,114
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	2,894	2,946	2,984	3,024	3,037	2,899	2,936	3,007	3,044	3,036
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	2,879	2,904	2,943	2,972	2,989	2,881	2,896	2,954	2,990	2,985
Port Pirie	2,990	3,017	3,016	3,057	3,111	2,985	3,001	3,023	3,060	3,089
Mount Gambier	2,807	2,849	2,865	2,940	2,932	2,801	2,821	2,874	2,942	2,919
Peterborough	2,918	2,934	2,921	2,965	3,018	2,913	2,917	2,928	2,974	2,997
FIVE TOWNS(b)	2,896	2,945	2,982	3,021	3,037	2,901	2,935	3,003	3,041	3,034
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth and Fremantle	2,963	3,000	3,078	3,129	3,075	2,963	2,997	3,068	3,100	3,058
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	3,232	3,249	3,304	3,388	3,362	3,226	3,238	3,313	3,362	3,337
Northam	3,087	3,088	3,131	3,195	3,129	3,087	3,084	3,119	3,172	3,116
Bunbury	3,044	3,059	3,085	3,140	3,078	3,041	3,052	3,069	3,101	3,050
Geraldton	3,247	3,258	3,329	3,453	3,442	3,252	3,260	3,323	3,428	3,430
FIVE TOWNS(b)	2,992	3,027	3,101	3,156	3,104	2,992	3,023	3,092	3,128	3,087
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	3,046	3,091	3,055	3,072	3,052	3,093	3,074	3,069	3,074	3,048
Launceston	2,901	2,943	2,960	2,987	2,997	2,901	2,919	2,949	2,965	2,975
Burnie	2,976	3,017	3,024	3,022	3,011	2,991	2,977	2,996	2,993	2,994
Devonport	3,022	3,027	3,019	3,020	3,031	3,021	2,998	3,008	2,998	3,006
Queenstown	3,382	3,435	3,436	3,401	3,385	3,411	3,399	3,412	3,386	3,370
FIVE TOWNS(b)	3,010	3,052	3,036	3,053	3,044	3,038	3,030	3,039	3,045	3,033
THIRTY TOWNS(b)	3,028	3,073	3,091	3,138	3,166	3,045	3,065	3,103	3,147	3,178
SIX CAPITALS(b)	3,022	3,067	3,086	3,132	3,160	3,037	3,057	3,096	3,139	3,170
Lithgow (N.S.W.)(c)	3,163	3,224	3,250	3,330	3,375	3,194	3,220	3,286	3,380	3,415
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c)	2,999	3,054	3,071	3,101	3,131	3,006	3,040	3,078	3,114	3,118
Whyalla (S.A.)(c)	3,067	3,075	3,084	3,138	3,191	3,046	3,050	3,085	3,151	3,177
Canberra (A.C.T.)(c)	3,340	3,360	3,460	3,471	3,554	3,365	3,368	3,488	3,493	3,546

(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.
weighted averages above.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Not included in

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

Retail Price Index Numbers—Food, Groceries, Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	Including Potatoes and Onions.					Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.(a)				
		1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	Dec., Qtr. 1959.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.	Dec., Qtr. 1959.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	913	2,584	2,614	2,663	2,707	2,744	2,525	2,618	2,677	2,713	2,754
Newcastle	877	2,531	2,558	2,606	2,642	2,686	2,474	2,570	2,629	2,656	2,702
Broken Hill	940	2,576	2,617	2,639	2,690	2,722	2,516	2,625	2,663	2,697	2,726
Goulburn	893	2,587	2,615	2,661	2,697	2,741	2,520	2,613	2,675	2,706	2,749
Bathurst	860	2,560	2,579	2,593	2,646	2,697	2,498	2,579	2,614	2,659	2,708
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	911	2,579	2,610	2,658	2,701	2,738	2,521	2,614	2,673	2,708	2,749
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	896	2,567	2,562	2,590	2,698	2,738	2,492	2,555	2,595	2,689	2,729
Ballarat	850	2,529	2,525	2,561	2,649	2,692	2,462	2,527	2,575	2,652	2,691
Bendigo	854	2,540	2,551	2,595	2,695	2,734	2,473	2,550	2,605	2,697	2,736
Geelong	884	2,538	2,532	2,561	2,639	2,662	2,471	2,533	2,575	2,646	2,665
Warrnambool	892	2,592	2,586	2,607	2,685	2,721	2,526	2,587	2,620	2,690	2,725
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	893	2,564	2,559	2,589	2,694	2,734	2,490	2,554	2,593	2,686	2,726
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	852	2,316	2,343	2,471	2,578	2,615	2,272	2,361	2,495	2,599	2,644
Toowoomba	843	2,356	2,371	2,449	2,521	2,555	2,309	2,391	2,473	2,538	2,581
Rockhampton	853	2,346	2,374	2,456	2,588	2,623	2,303	2,391	2,480	2,606	2,651
Townsville	902	2,434	2,462	2,564	2,728	2,781	2,393	2,482	2,594	2,750	2,811
Bundaberg	831	2,293	2,331	2,451	2,559	2,596	2,248	2,347	2,476	2,579	2,625
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	854	2,328	2,355	2,474	2,584	2,622	2,284	2,373	2,498	2,604	2,650
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	888	2,466	2,463	2,536	2,647	2,690	2,408	2,466	2,545	2,650	2,689
Kadina, etc.	786	2,355	2,347	2,383	2,448	2,482	2,297	2,351	2,392	2,449	2,480
Port Pirie	868	2,408	2,414	2,459	2,539	2,585	2,348	2,418	2,470	2,536	2,576
Mount Gambier	849	2,428	2,415	2,451	2,530	2,560	2,364	2,415	2,459	2,528	2,556
Peterborough	868	2,428	2,412	2,460	2,522	2,567	2,366	2,413	2,478	2,519	2,559
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	883	2,460	2,457	2,526	2,634	2,676	2,401	2,459	2,536	2,636	2,675
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, etc.	882	2,655	2,729	2,743	2,807	2,824	2,653	2,726	2,748	2,804	2,821
Kalgoorlie, etc. ..	1,048	2,563	2,625	2,653	2,712	2,736	2,559	2,623	2,653	2,707	2,728
Norham	900	2,584	2,691	2,707	2,740	2,754	2,582	2,688	2,711	2,737	2,752
Bunbury	914	2,664	2,749	2,790	2,833	2,850	2,660	2,745	2,795	2,828	2,844
Geraldton	957	2,825	2,916	2,955	3,064	3,112	2,822	2,913	2,961	3,061	3,108
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	897	2,651	2,725	2,741	2,805	2,823	2,648	2,722	2,746	2,801	2,819
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	887	2,663	2,690	2,728	2,812	2,846	2,622	2,699	2,749	2,817	2,851
Launceston	872	2,650	2,652	2,660	2,721	2,750	2,596	2,652	2,670	2,717	2,746
Burnie	865	2,583	2,618	2,630	2,685	2,709	2,523	2,616	2,637	2,678	2,707
Devonport	848	2,547	2,630	2,657	2,702	2,712	2,490	2,625	2,663	2,698	2,707
Queenstown	875	2,514	2,544	2,582	2,643	2,653	2,455	2,544	2,591	2,634	2,648
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	879	2,646	2,668	2,695	2,768	2,798	2,598	2,672	2,711	2,769	2,799
THIRTY TOWNS(b) ..	894	2,542	2,561	2,610	2,688	2,726	2,484	2,563	2,622	2,691	2,730
SIX CAPITALS(b) ..	897	2,547	2,565	2,615	2,694	2,732	2,489	2,567	2,626	2,696	2,735
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c) ..	863	2,413	2,419	2,451	2,541	2,576	2,353	2,417	2,458	2,538	2,569
Whyalla (S.A.)(c) ..	(d)	2,472	2,515	2,554	2,629	2,677	2,413	2,514	2,558	2,627	2,672
Canberra (A.C.T.)(c) ..	966	2,660	2,679	2,708	2,768	2,814	2,598	2,680	2,724	2,773	2,812

(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.
weighted averages above.

(d) Not available.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Not included in

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

The "C" Series Retail Price Index and its Group Index Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined.

(Base of each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries. (b)	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (c)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	All Groups. (b)		
Year—							
1914(d)	641	649	754	749	687		
1919(d)	1,026	768	1,238	1,036	1,022		
1925	998	1,008	991	992	997		
1926	1,023	1,026	986	998	1,011		
1927	1,000	1,030	975	1,008	1,002		
1928	985	1,066	997	1,010	1,009		
1929	1,044	1,073	996	1,007	1,033		
1930	941	1,047	951	999	975		
1931	826	901	853	973	873		
1932	796	817	804	958	830		
1933	751	804	787	950	804		
1934	783	810	785	944	817		
1935	806	839	783	946	832		
1936	825	879	792	947	850		
1937	851	912	811	960	873		
1938	886	942	829	961	897		
1939	927	965	841	962	920		
1940	939	973	956	998	957		
1941	947	976	1,118	1,060	1,008		
1942	1,031	976	1,308	1,112	1,091		
1943	1,037	975	1,440	1,160	1,131		
1944	1,026	976	1,435	1,165	1,126		
1945	1,034	975	1,425	1,161	1,126		
1946	1,036	976	1,505	1,167	1,145		
1947	1,100	977	1,566	1,199	1,188		
1948	1,256	979	1,744	1,257	1,295		
1949	1,394	982	1,997	1,338	1,415		
1950	1,566	987	2,286	1,435	1,560		
1951	2,041	1,009	2,749	1,679	1,883		
1952	2,526	1,057	3,096	1,958	2,196		
1953	2,641	1,138	3,223	2,053	2,302		
1954	2,671	1,192	3,218	2,062	2,326		
1955	2,811	1,226	3,237	2,081	2,393		
	A	B			A	B	
1956	2,923	3,084	1,325	3,261	2,236	2,489	2,547
1957	2,973	2,971	1,380	3,357	2,372	2,567	2,565
1958	3,021	2,993	1,460	3,418	2,424	2,626	2,615
1959	3,116	3,111	1,536	3,455	2,481	2,696	2,694
Quarter—							
1957—December	2,955	2,928	1,400	3,386	2,397	2,576	2,565
1958—March ..	3,012	2,988	1,412	3,393	2,399	2,601	2,592
June	3,018	2,982	1,455	3,424	2,400	2,620	2,607
September	3,017	2,981	1,476	3,426	2,423	2,630	2,616
December	3,037	3,022	1,495	3,429	2,475	2,652	2,646
1959—March ..	3,057	3,067	1,510	3,420	2,474	2,660	2,663
June	3,096	3,086	1,524	3,440	2,473	2,681	2,677
September	3,139	3,132	1,544	3,455	2,484	2,707	2,704
December	3,170	3,160	1,567	3,504	2,492	2,735	2,732

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of food and groceries and rent, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000.

(b) Indexes in columns "A" exclude, (as from September quarter, 1955), and those in columns "B" include, the price movement of potatoes and onions.

(c) See note (b) on page 106.

(d) November.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
NEW SOUTH WALES—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

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PRICES.

Item.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	15.80	15.80	16.50	16.00	16.00	16.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	18.00
Flour, plain ..	"	18.05	18.05	18.05	15.38	15.38	15.38	13.40	13.40	13.80	15.38	15.38	15.38	15.50	15.50	15.50
" self-raising ..	"	22.60	22.60	22.60	21.71	21.71	21.71	20.21	20.21	20.21	22.88	22.88	22.88	22.30	22.30	22.50
Tea ..	lb.	78.40	78.40	78.40	80.14	80.14	80.14	79.14	79.14	79.14	80.30	79.80	79.80	79.10	79.10	79.10
Sugar ..	"	10.05	10.05	10.05	10.96	10.96	10.96	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.70	10.70	10.70
Rice ..	"	11.89	11.89	11.89	12.38	12.38	12.38	13.40	13.40	13.40	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.13	12.13	12.13
Tapioca, seed ..	"	16.17	16.17	16.17	15.20	15.20	15.20	13.21	13.21	13.21	15.83	15.83	15.83	15.20	15.20	15.20
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	34.85	34.85	34.85	35.14	35.14	35.14	31.10	31.63	32.17	36.50	36.50	36.50	35.80	35.70	35.70
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.95	20.95	20.95	22.57	22.57	22.57	23.79	23.79	23.79	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.50	22.50	22.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.77	10.77	10.77	11.42	11.42	11.42	11.45	11.21	11.21	11.85	11.85	11.85	11.12	11.12	11.12
Raisins, seeded ..	"	33.78	33.78	33.78	33.38	33.38	34.25	34.29	34.57	34.57	33.25	33.25	33.25	34.10	34.10	34.10
Currants ..	"	28.00	28.50	28.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	28.25	28.25	28.25	27.22	27.22	27.22	28.17	28.17	28.17
Apricots, dried ..	"	72.70	72.70	72.70	73.25	73.25	73.25	66.00	66.00	66.00	72.67	72.67	72.67	72.00	72.00	72.00
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	43.50	43.50	43.00	40.50	40.50	40.50	41.40	40.20	40.00	42.70	42.70	42.70	39.40	39.40	39.40
Pears, canned ..	"	41.25	41.25	41.25	40.21	40.21	40.64	40.67	40.17	40.17	43.50	43.50	43.50	38.50	38.50	38.50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	35.31	40.60	33.65	39.00	45.24	32.33	28.93	42.32	48.61	26.80	36.80	41.80	22.00	42.88	36.75
Onions, brown ..	lb.	12.00	12.20	11.05	14.17	13.00	12.08	17.17	16.80	15.17	17.00	15.20	15.40	16.88	15.00	13.00
Soap ..	"	19.73	19.86	19.86	19.62	19.62	19.66	20.83	20.97	20.97	20.67	20.67	20.67	20.27	20.53	20.53
Kerosene ..	quart	9.15	9.15	9.15	8.96	8.96	8.96	10.27	10.27	10.27	10.44	10.44	10.44	10.32	10.32	10.32
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	55.65	55.65	55.65	55.86	55.86	55.86	56.79	56.79	56.79	57.50	57.50	56.90	55.40	55.40	55.40
Cheese, mild ..	"	43.50	43.50	44.00	41.40	41.40	41.40	45.40	45.30	45.30	44.63	44.63	44.63	43.10	43.10	43.10
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	66.00	66.00	72.00	66.00	66.00	72.00	49.43	57.14	64.43	66.00	66.00	72.00	66.00	66.00	72.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	88.14	88.14	89.00	94.40	94.40	94.40	84.29	85.68	85.68	83.75	83.25	83.25	83.00	83.75	83.75
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	24.60	24.60	25.30	24.79	24.93	25.43	26.08	26.08	26.00	25.20	25.20	25.40	23.90	23.90	24.20
" fresh, loose (b) ..	quart	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
" bottled(b) ..	"	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Meat—		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	55.07			53.44			50.43			58.20			57.11		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	42.37			43.00			39.90			44.00			41.50		
" steak, rump ..	"	74.63			76.38			64.72			75.80			76.00		
" chuck ..	"	38.17			39.29			37.45			43.00			40.50		
" sausages ..	"	23.50			26.81			23.81			24.07			24.00		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	43.30			44.81			44.19			45.13			46.50		
" " brisket ..	"	30.40			31.14			35.90			34.33			35.25		
Mutton, leg ..	"	23.57			28.71			30.24			30.67			29.50		
" forequarter ..	"	15.47			15.91			17.67			18.78			18.92		
" loin ..	"	23.07			27.14			34.43			30.67			29.50		
" chops, loin ..	"	23.07			28.00			36.00			30.67			30.00		
" " leg ..	"	24.80			28.71			34.81			30.67			30.00		
Pork, leg ..	"	66.37			67.57			60.29			60.50			69.00		
" loin ..	"	65.73			66.86			59.71			60.50			70.50		
" chops ..	"	65.73			66.86			62.86			60.50			70.50		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
VICTORIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

Item.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ^(b) ..	2 lb.	17.00	17.00	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.50	17.50	17.50	19.00	19.00	19.00
Flour, plain ..	"	12.50	12.50	12.70	12.60	12.60	12.60	13.00	13.00	13.42	12.00	12.00	12.17	12.75	12.75	13.00
" self-raising ..	"	20.90	20.90	21.10	21.70	21.70	21.90	21.92	21.92	22.00	21.38	21.38	21.13	23.00	23.00	23.40
Tea ..	lb.	78.85	78.85	78.85	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.67	80.67	80.67	79.75	79.75	79.13	81.40	81.40	81.40
Sugar ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.47	10.47	10.47	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.06	10.06	10.06	10.63	10.63	10.63
Rice ..	"	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.90	11.90	11.90	12.40	12.40	12.40	12.00	12.00	11.83	13.38	13.38	13.38
Taploca, seed ..	"	13.30	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.50	12.67	12.67	13.25	13.25	13.25	13.63	13.63	13.63
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	29.88	29.88	29.88	30.90	30.90	30.90	32.25	32.25	32.25	30.88	30.88	30.63	32.75	32.75	32.75
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.55	20.55	20.55	21.90	21.90	21.90	22.17	22.17	22.17	20.75	20.75	20.75	23.40	23.40	23.40
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.37	10.37	10.37	11.61	11.61	11.61	11.61	11.61	11.61	10.21	10.21	10.21	12.11	12.11	12.11
Raisins, seeded ..	"	33.06	33.22	33.22	33.30	33.30	33.30	31.70	31.70	32.63	31.25	32.13	32.13	33.50	33.50	33.60
Currants ..	"	27.25	27.25	27.25	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.50	26.50	26.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	64.88	64.88	64.88	67.25	67.25	67.25	68.60	68.60	68.60	68.50	68.50	65.50	69.00	69.00	69.00
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	35.35	34.20	34.20	35.20	35.20	35.20	35.08	35.08	35.08	34.38	34.75	33.88	37.30	37.30	37.80
Pears, canned ..	"	34.75	33.95	33.95	35.10	35.10	35.10	35.00	35.00	35.00	34.88	34.50	33.63	37.30	37.10	37.30
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	34.86	40.71	42.38	24.60	32.00	33.70	27.50	34.33	40.00	19.33	29.17	30.69	22.60	23.80	29.20
Onions, brown ..	lb.	16.06	15.11	13.08	17.50	15.75	14.25	16.83	14.17	14.33	16.33	14.67	12.83	14.38	13.00	13.00
Soap ..	"	19.73	19.97	19.97	19.92	20.00	20.13	20.72	21.00	21.00	18.33	19.08	19.58	20.93	21.33	21.33
Kerosene ..	quart	8.81	8.81	8.81	9.83	9.83	9.83	10.13	10.13	10.13	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.13	10.13	10.13
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	56.20	56.20	56.20	56.60	56.60	56.60	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.00	56.00	55.88	55.20	55.20	55.20
Cheese, mild ..	"	42.00	42.00	42.00	43.40	43.40	43.40	41.88	41.88	41.88	40.50	40.50	40.50	43.75	43.75	43.75
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	56.90	62.90	62.90	57.00	63.00	63.00	57.00	63.00	63.00	56.50	63.00	63.00	57.00	63.00	63.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	88.00	89.00	89.00	82.20	83.00	83.00	91.25	92.75	92.75	83.33	83.33	82.33	91.75	92.50	92.50
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	22.80	22.80	22.80	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.67	23.67	23.67	23.13	23.13	23.13	23.90	23.90	24.10
" fresh, loose ^(b) ..	quart							18.50	18.50	18.50				16.50	16.50	16.50
" " bottled ^(b) ..	"	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.50	19.50	19.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		50.19			50.67			51.67			46.40			47.20	
" rib (without bone) ..	"		49.57			48.55			50.57			48.58			47.75	
" steak, rump ..	"		79.03			82.33			79.14			77.53			76.20	
" " chuck ..	"		39.00			44.55			39.88			41.33			40.80	
" sausages ..	"		24.11			25.44			26.86			24.93			24.20	
" (corned) silver-side ..	"		48.90			53.44			51.43			48.67			51.20	
" " brisket ..	"		35.40			41.33			36.38			37.67			36.80	
Mutton, leg ..	"		25.73			26.89			29.80			25.87			34.80	
" forequarter ..	"		17.71			14.78			15.60			15.53			21.00	
" loin ..	"		26.20			26.08			32.00			25.47			34.60	
" chops, loin ..	"		26.17			27.78			33.00			25.67			35.80	
" " leg ..	"		30.15			66.00			32.07			26.40			35.20	
Pork, leg ..	"		62.97			71.67			63.50			63.87			61.50	
" loin ..	"		65.33			72.00			62.17			64.40			61.50	
" chops ..	"		66.60						63.33			64.87			64.50	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
QUEENSLAND—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

Item.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	17.00	17.50	16.00	16.00	16.50
Flour, plain ..	"	11.33	11.33	11.33	11.29	11.29	11.29	13.10	13.10	13.10	13.20	13.20	13.20	12.50	12.50	12.50
" self-raising ..	"	19.90	19.90	19.00	20.38	20.38	19.79	21.60	21.60	21.43	23.00	23.00	20.60	22.20	22.20	22.00
Tea ..	lb.	77.40	77.40	77.40	76.21	76.64	76.57	78.14	78.14	78.14	80.42	80.42	80.42	79.00	79.00	79.00
Sugar ..	"	9.93	9.93	9.93	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.28	10.28	10.28	11.50	11.50	11.50	9.95	9.95	9.95
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.92	12.92	12.92	12.92	12.92	12.92	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	14.83	14.89	14.89	14.50	14.50	14.50	16.20	17.00	16.75	16.33	16.33	16.33	14.67	14.67	14.67
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	32.35	31.95	31.75	31.00	31.07	31.50	34.29	34.29	34.07	33.50	33.67	33.67	35.50	35.50	35.50
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	19.05	19.05	19.05	20.86	20.86	20.86	22.50	22.50	22.50	24.42	24.42	24.42	19.80	19.80	19.80
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	11.70	11.70	11.68	11.86	11.86	11.86	11.92	11.92	11.90	11.95	11.95	11.95	12.48	12.48	12.48
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.25	33.20	33.20	33.25	33.58	33.58	33.36	33.93	34.00	32.83	33.00	33.00	33.13	33.13	33.13
Currants ..	"	26.03	26.03	26.07	27.50	27.80	27.80	28.57	28.57	28.57	28.67	28.67	28.67	29.00	29.00	29.00
Apricots, dried ..	"	68.17	68.17	68.17	62.13	62.13	62.13	65.20	65.00	65.00	68.00	68.00	68.00	66.00	66.00	66.00
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	41.60	40.40	39.70	40.14	40.14	39.57	44.21	43.64	42.93	44.33	44.33	44.33	41.70	42.80	41.60
Pears, canned ..	"	40.80	40.00	39.70	39.71	39.71	39.07	43.21	42.86	42.86	42.33	42.25	41.70	42.60	42.60	41.60
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	36.75	39.55	27.95	28.79	25.50	21.21	35.00	32.14	33.14	36.17	36.25	37.20	40.40	33.40	30.20
Onions, brown ..	lb.	10.25	11.40	7.75	10.29	11.71	7.14	12.86	12.14	9.79	10.92	11.42	10.40	13.40	12.00	9.80
Soap ..	"	19.50	19.87	19.93	19.43	20.09	20.09	19.34	19.72	19.76	19.60	19.87	20.00	19.53	19.67	19.80
Kerosene ..	quart	8.79	8.79	8.79	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.45	10.45	10.45	9.54	9.54	9.64	11.05	11.05	11.05
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	55.85	55.85	55.85	54.93	55.00	55.00	55.71	55.71	55.71	56.33	56.33	56.33	55.60	55.60	55.60
Cheese, mild ..	"	40.69	41.44	41.44	37.83	37.83	37.80	41.33	41.33	42.00	44.80	44.80	44.80	41.25	41.25	41.25
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	51.90	51.90	62.00	40.43	42.00	48.14	48.67	47.14	59.00	67.00	67.50	72.00	52.75	51.33	62.25
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	89.00	89.60	89.60	76.00	77.33	77.33	85.33	85.33	85.33	82.50	82.50	82.50	80.50	85.50	85.50
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	24.40	24.40	24.80	24.93	24.93	25.07	25.14	25.14	25.14	24.92	24.92	24.92	25.30	25.30	25.60
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
" " bottled(b) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Meat—		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	47.87			47.95			45.07			49.53			47.80		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	40.53			40.78			38.11			42.33			40.80		
" steak, rump ..	"	57.97			57.72			54.17			58.47			57.00		
" " chuck ..	"	33.97			34.22			31.17			35.33			34.00		
" sausages ..	"	25.07			24.67			24.86			25.40			24.80		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	45.83			44.06			43.07			47.33			45.80		
" " brisket ..	"	32.80			34.17			31.02			35.33			33.80		
Mutton, leg ..	"	27.03			24.78			30.04			33.47			33.00		
" forequarter ..	"	13.33			13.55			15.57			17.13			16.00		
" loin ..	"	26.83			24.06			28.17			31.40			32.00		
" chops, loin ..	"	27.13			24.56			30.57			33.80			33.00		
" " leg ..	"	27.13			24.67			30.45			33.67			33.00		
Pork, leg ..	"	59.73			59.06			54.90			60.80			47.20		
" loin ..	"	58.83			59.06			54.76			58.00			45.40		
" chops ..	"	58.83			59.06			54.90			58.00			47.20		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

Item.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PIKE.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, etc.—																
Bread ^(b) ..	2 lb.	16.00	16.00	16.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	(c)16.00	(c)16.00	(c)16.00
Flour, plain ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.75	12.75	12.75
" self-raising ..	"	18.45	18.40	18.40	19.67	19.67	19.67	19.93	19.93	19.93	18.80	18.90	18.90	20.13	20.13	20.13
Tea ..	lb.	78.40	78.40	78.40	79.25	79.25	79.25	79.50	79.57	79.57	79.90	79.90	79.90	79.75	79.75	79.75
Sugar ..	"	9.98	9.98	9.98	10.46	10.46	10.46	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.50	10.50	10.50
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.67	12.67	12.67	12.93	12.93	12.93	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.00	13.00	13.00
Taploca, seed ..	"	10.56	10.56	10.56	11.38	11.38	11.38	11.57	11.57	11.57	11.83	11.83	11.83	11.88	11.88	11.88
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	32.61	32.61	32.61	34.58	34.13	34.13	34.20	34.20	34.20	33.63	33.88	33.88	34.38	34.38	34.38
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.33	21.33	21.33	21.57	21.57	21.57	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.13	22.13	22.13
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.67	9.67	9.67	10.03	10.03	10.03	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.37	10.37	10.37	10.84	10.84	10.84
Raisins, seeded ..	"	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.92	35.92	35.92	35.67	35.67	35.67	35.10	35.70	35.60	35.75	35.75	35.75
Currants ..	"	28.56	28.50	28.50	29.33	29.33	29.33	29.50	29.50	29.50	29.33	29.33	29.33	29.38	29.38	29.38
Apricots, dried ..	"	69.50	69.50	69.50	70.08	70.08	70.08	70.60	70.60	70.60	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.25	70.25	70.25
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	41.25	40.75	39.15	41.83	41.83	41.67	42.43	42.43	42.43	41.40	41.40	41.00	43.13	43.13	43.13
Pears, canned ..	"	40.00	40.00	40.00	41.83	41.83	41.67	41.79	41.79	41.79	40.40	40.40	40.20	42.13	42.13	42.13
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	26.20	30.80	35.91	31.00	39.00	44.00	30.57	42.86	42.79	28.00	28.00	33.25	31.25	41.25	40.25
Onions, brown ..	lb.	21.43	14.00	11.00	23.00	15.03	11.81	24.14	19.67	13.50	17.32	14.00	14.00	24.50	18.25	14.00
Soap ..	"	18.93	18.93	18.93	19.78	19.78	19.78	19.38	19.38	19.38	19.27	19.27	19.27	19.92	19.92	19.92
Kerosene ..	quart	8.42	8.42	8.42	9.15	9.13	9.13	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.25	9.25	9.25
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	55.85	55.85	55.85	57.92	57.92	57.92	58.00	58.00	58.00	56.40	56.40	56.40	57.00	57.00	57.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	36.06	36.44	36.44	36.90	36.90	36.90	38.00	38.00	38.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	37.50	37.50	37.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	53.00	55.88	61.00	36.67	36.67	39.67	37.75	37.75	40.00	36.40	42.00	51.00	36.00	36.00	38.67
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	81.07	82.00	82.21	81.13	82.25	83.50	80.50	82.75	82.75	77.33	82.33	81.67	83.00	83.50	83.50
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	25.20	25.20	26.30	26.17	26.17	27.17	26.29	26.29	27.07	25.00	25.00	25.20	26.50	26.50	27.25
" fresh, loose ^(b) ..	quart	17.50	17.50	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.50	20.00	20.00	20.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	18.50	18.50	19.00
" " bottled ^(b) ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.50	..	..	..	20.00	20.00	20.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	..	..	..
		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		41.10			34.71			39.33			35.93			36.50	
" rib (without bone) ..	"		44.10			38.71			43.33			39.93			40.00	
" steak, rump ..	"		68.77			62.86			65.95			63.00			64.00	
" " chuck ..	"		42.10			39.15			39.34			34.20			41.34	
" sausages ..	"		22.22			20.86			24.00			22.00			21.00	
" (corned) silver-side ..	"		47.00			42.43			45.81			40.80			45.33	
" " brisket ..	"		34.17			34.29			35.00			23.80			32.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		24.90			21.48			24.62			23.40			20.67	
" " forequarter ..	"		12.16			11.52			13.81			11.13			10.00	
" " loin ..	"		23.87			20.81			25.71			23.20			21.34	
" " chops, loin ..	"		24.33			21.43			26.48			23.80			22.33	
" " leg ..	"		25.30			21.57			26.48			24.40			22.33	
Pork, leg ..	"		63.93			49.71			54.00			56.40			51.67	
" " loin ..	"		63.77			50.00			54.00			56.40			48.67	
" " chops ..	"		64.27			50.57			55.43			56.93			50.67	

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(b) Delivered.

(c) Not delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

Item.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, etc.—																
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	16.50	16.50	16.50	(c)16.00	(c)16.00	(c)16.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Flour, plain ..	"	13.75	13.63	13.63	16.00	16.00	16.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.20	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" self-raising ..	"	20.70	20.75	20.75	24.83	24.83	24.83	22.38	22.38	22.38	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.75	22.80	22.80
Tea ..	lb.	77.05	76.65	76.65	83.50	83.50	83.50	77.25	76.75	77.25	81.70	81.40	81.40	82.00	82.10	82.10
Sugar ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.52	10.52	10.52	10.68	10.68	10.65	10.92	10.93	10.93
Rice ..	"	11.83	11.80	11.80	14.00	14.00	14.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.70	12.70	12.70	12.88	13.10	13.10
Tapioca, seed ..	"	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	13.33	13.33	13.33	15.33	16.50	16.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	34.55	34.40	34.40	38.00	38.00	38.00	33.00	33.00	33.00	37.83	37.83	37.83	35.13	36.20	36.20
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	21.10	20.85	20.75	25.50	25.50	25.50	22.75	22.75	22.75	23.30	23.60	23.30	24.25	24.10	24.10
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	11.47	11.50	11.23	13.04	13.04	13.04	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.64	12.64	12.64	13.08	13.18	13.18
Raisins, seeded ..	"	35.51	34.61	35.51	37.48	37.48	37.79	33.47	33.47	35.90	36.69	36.45	36.45	36.63	37.14	37.14
Currants ..	"	28.00	27.56	27.33	31.58	31.58	31.58	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.83	29.83	29.83	32.00	31.50	31.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	70.33	70.33	70.33	74.00	74.00	74.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	75.00	75.33	75.33
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	39.45	38.45	38.45	44.50	44.00	44.00	38.38	38.25	38.25	43.13	42.88	42.88	43.63	44.30	44.30
Pears, canned ..	"	39.20	38.55	38.85	46.25	45.83	45.83	38.63	40.00	39.25	42.38	42.18	41.88	41.75	42.80	42.80
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	40.86	40.14	40.14	42.75	43.25	43.25	42.00	42.00	42.00	40.30	40.30	40.30	42.75	42.60	42.60
Onions, brown ..	lb.	18.00	10.39	10.39	23.67	11.50	10.67	20.00	10.25	10.00	21.25	13.00	11.00	25.33	11.40	11.40
Soap ..	"	19.70	19.83	19.57	21.33	21.33	21.55	20.42	20.42	20.42	20.47	20.47	20.47	21.00	20.93	21.07
Kerosene ..	quart	13.27	13.29	13.29	15.92	15.92	15.92	14.83	14.83	14.83	14.92	14.92	14.92	16.21	16.22	16.21
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	54.80	54.60	54.60	60.00	60.00	59.50	56.00	56.00	56.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	48.64	48.64	48.64	49.25	49.50	49.50	47.13	46.88	47.13	47.00	47.00	47.00	48.13	48.00	48.00
Eggs, grade 1a ..	doz.	59.90	59.80	63.33	54.67	54.33	64.60	60.25	60.00	64.00	62.40	62.40	66.00	62.00	62.00	65.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	80.08	80.43	80.43	82.25	82.25	82.25	82.50	82.50	81.00	79.67	79.67	80.67	82.75	83.60	83.60
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	22.67	22.56	22.30	24.75	24.75	25.33	23.63	23.63	24.13	25.13	24.90	25.00	25.50	25.40	25.40
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	..	..	..	24.00	24.00	24.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
" " bottled(b) ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Quarterly Average.		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	45.33			44.57			42.22			44.00			53.33		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	46.10			45.71			41.78			41.80			53.33		
" steak, rump ..	"	63.80			64.29			60.44			63.20			72.00		
" " chuck ..	"	40.20			42.00			38.89			39.33			49.55		
" sausages ..	"	21.71			25.14			26.78			26.27			24.00		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	43.17			42.57			43.55			41.40			53.33		
" " brisket ..	"	30.73			32.57			34.56			31.20			44.11		
Mutton, leg ..	"	25.00			30.86			26.89			23.87			30.33		
" " forequarter ..	"	14.50			17.14			17.11			12.87			21.22		
" " loin ..	"	22.77			29.14			25.33			21.67			26.33		
" " chops, loin ..	"	22.77			29.14			25.56			23.27			26.33		
" " leg ..	"	22.90			29.14			26.00			23.07			29.00		
Pork, leg ..	"	65.11			58.29			52.89			51.60			61.33		
" " loin ..	"	65.20			58.29			51.33			51.60			61.33		
" " chops ..	"	65.29			60.00			51.89			52.20			61.33		

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(b) Delivered.

(c) Not delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
TASMANIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

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Item.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b)	2 lb.	16.50	16.50	17.00	16.50	16.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.50	17.00	17.00	17.50	(c)17.50	(c)17.50	(c)18.00
Flour, plain	"	13.11	13.06	13.17	12.71	12.71	13.00	13.80	13.80	14.00	13.80	13.80	14.20	14.00	14.00	14.00
" self-raising	"	23.72	23.39	23.44	21.63	21.63	21.75	22.50	22.63	22.63	22.00	22.00	22.10	23.17	23.17	23.17
Tea	lb.	83.35	83.35	83.35	83.86	83.86	83.86	84.50	84.50	84.50	84.50	84.50	84.50	85.00	85.00	85.00
Sugar	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.55	10.55	10.55	10.75	10.75	10.75
Rice	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.83	11.83	11.83	12.50	12.50	12.50
Tapioca, seed	"	14.21	14.17	14.83	14.36	14.36	14.36	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.75	15.75	15.75	18.33	18.33	18.33
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	34.95	34.65	34.65	35.14	35.14	35.14	37.00	36.70	36.70	35.90	35.90	35.90	36.38	36.50	36.50
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	22.80	22.60	22.60	22.86	22.86	22.86	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.30	23.30	23.30	24.00	24.00	24.00
Oats, flaked	lb.	12.76	12.61	12.61	12.67	12.88	12.88	13.21	13.21	13.21	13.21	13.21	13.21	13.65	13.65	13.65
Raisins, seeded	"	36.00	35.75	35.65	36.36	36.57	36.57	37.00	37.20	37.20	35.70	35.70	35.70	38.63	38.63	38.63
Currants	"	28.25	27.51	27.51	30.67	30.67	30.67	31.50	31.50	31.50	29.00	29.00	29.00	32.00	32.00	32.00
Apricots, dried	"	69.33	69.33	69.33	73.25	71.50	71.50	77.00	77.00	77.00	68.50	68.50	68.50	73.25	73.25	73.25
Peaches, canned	29 oz.	41.15	41.25	41.25	42.86	42.86	42.86	43.20	44.20	44.20	42.20	42.60	42.20	46.50	46.50	46.50
Pears, canned	"	41.70	41.30	41.30	46.71	46.71	46.71	43.10	44.10	43.10	42.40	42.40	42.40	46.75	46.75	44.25
Potatoes	7 lb.	40.72	40.88	51.04	31.00	34.00	40.00	28.00	30.80	33.32	27.50	36.33	38.94	29.25	32.25	45.75
Onions, brown	lb.	17.63	15.05	14.60	19.40	15.40	15.80	21.80	20.20	18.40	19.50	17.50	16.25	23.50	20.00	19.00
Soap	"	19.77	19.93	20.03	19.67	19.85	19.85	20.07	20.20	20.20	20.07	20.07	20.07	20.34	20.50	20.67
Kerosene	quart	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.66	13.66	13.66	13.79	13.79	13.79	13.52	13.52	13.52	11.88	11.88	11.88
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory	lb.	54.10	54.10	54.90	55.14	55.14	55.14	57.30	57.30	57.30	56.00	56.00	55.40	57.50	57.50	57.50
Cheese, mild	"	42.02	42.02	42.02	41.87	41.87	41.87	42.02	42.02	42.02	42.02	42.02	42.02	45.84	45.84	45.84
Eggs, new laid	doz.	54.70	66.35	68.15	44.57	50.14	61.29	54.60	63.00	67.80	53.25	65.00	69.00	59.75	62.75	71.75
Bacon, rashers	lb.	77.14	78.38	79.50	77.71	77.71	77.71	77.60	78.00	80.40	75.00	79.33	79.33	77.33	77.33	80.00
Milk, condensed	14 oz. tin	24.80	24.60	25.25	24.86	24.86	25.43	25.50	25.50	25.90	24.80	24.80	25.70	26.00	26.00	26.88
" fresh, loose(b)	quart	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	28.00	28.00	28.00
" " bottled(b)	"	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	28.00	28.00	28.00
Quarterly Average.																
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin	lb.		44.33			41.33			40.08			40.80			44.00	
" rib (without bone)	"		42.90			39.22			41.25			38.20			49.00	
" steak, rump	"		65.73			59.17			55.00			54.00			66.67	
" " chuck	"		35.43			38.06			33.50			35.60			41.00	
" sausages	"		23.77			23.33			24.00			24.80			24.00	
" (corned) silver-side	"		44.83			42.17			42.00			41.40			48.00	
" " brisket	"		31.50			28.33			27.00			31.20			34.00	
" " mutton, leg	"		24.40			23.50			21.00			23.33			29.00	
" " forequarter	"		10.67			12.00			12.00			12.00			19.50	
" " loin	"		16.53			19.50			21.00			14.82			28.00	
" " chops, loin	"		16.80			22.17			24.00			26.67			28.00	
" " leg	"		18.47			22.17			24.00			26.67			28.00	
Pork, leg	"		60.43			52.72			48.75			48.20			56.89	
" " loin	"		60.03			53.56			48.75			48.40			56.89	
" " chops	"		59.43			53.94			49.50			48.40			56.89	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

(c) Not delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.
CANBERRA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1959.**

Item.	Unit.	October.	November.	December.
		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Groceries, etc.—				
Bread ^(b)	2 lb.	19.00	19.00	19.50
Flour, plain	"	18.00	18.00	18.00
" self-raising	"	23.15	23.15	23.20
Tea	lb.	78.25	78.25	78.25
Sugar	"	11.00	11.00	11.00
Rice	"	12.83	12.83	12.83
Tapioca, seed	"	16.72	16.19	16.38
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	37.67	37.67	37.67
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	24.00	24.00	24.00
Oats, flaked	lb.	12.08	12.08	12.08
Raisins, seeded	"	35.44	35.44	35.44
Currants	"	31.00	31.00	31.50
Apricots, dried	"	71.00	71.00	71.00
Peaches, canned	29 oz.	42.65	42.45	42.45
Pears, canned	"	42.30	42.10	42.10
Potatoes	7 lb.	35.00	55.13	53.37
Onions, brown	lb.	16.00	15.14	14.00
Soap	"	20.53	20.93	21.10
Kerosene	quart	11.25	11.25	11.25
Dairy Produce—				
Butter, factory	lb.	55.05	55.05	55.90
Cheese, mild	"	43.00	45.00	45.00
Eggs, new laid	doz.	69.80	69.80	75.80
Bacon, rashers	lb.	91.50	91.50	91.50
Milk, condensed	14 oz. tin	25.00	25.00	25.90
" fresh, bottled ^(b)	quart	23.00	23.00	23.00
Meat—				
		Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin	lb.		57.87	
" rib (without bone)	"		46.13	
" steak, rump	"		77.57	
" " chuck	"		39.30	
" sausages	"		27.20	
" (corned) silverside	"		50.47	
" " brisket	"		38.07	
Mutton, leg	"		34.07	
" forequarter	"		22.22	
" loin	"		34.19	
" chops, loin	"		34.19	
" " leg	"		34.19	
Pork, leg	"		72.18	
" loin	"		72.18	
" chops	"		72.18	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX.

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Group : Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco. (a)	Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.		
	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported. (b)	Goods principally Home Produced. (a)	Total All Groups. (a)
1936-37 ..	96	99	118	99	111	99	99	98	99	98	99
1937-38 ..	101	101	100	100	97	104	102	102	102	101	101
1938-39 ..	103	100	82	101	92	97	99	101	99	100	100
1939-40 ..	105	115	104	107	116	108	109	99	111	101	104
1940-41 ..	107	137	111	124	126	128	122	107	133	106	114
1941-42 ..	117	151	118	137	135	135	133	116	153	112	124
1942-43 ..	129	167	147	142	138	163	149	126	176	120	136
1943-44 ..	131	170	150	143	140	174	153	130	182	122	140
1944-45 ..	131	168	152	143	140	175	152	132	182	124	141
1945-46 ..	130	156	152	142	140	177	149	136	178	127	142
1946-47 ..	132	145	191	140	131	180	149	139	177	130	144
1947-48 ..	146	161	233	148	126	190	166	154	192	145	159
1948-49 ..	185	173	342	159	130	198	188	174	201	172	180
1949-50 ..	214	184	434	187	143	225	214	196	223	196	204
1950-51 ..	256	196	641	242	292	268	264	229	256	240	244
1951-52 ..	343	220	577	314	298	370	321	276	288	300	297
1952-53 ..	392	234	607	350	224	404	350	293	292	331	319
1953-54 ..	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954-55 ..	391	214	510	314	246	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955-56 ..	404	220	456	317	328	415	345	325	292	352	334
1956-57 ..	409	241	520	344	302	463	367	324	311	357	344
1957-58 ..	398	238	437	349	280	453	355	325	301	355	339
1958-59 ..	392	231	362	327	293	423	340	332	283	358	336
1957-58—											
October ..	398	240	454	353	295	457	358	322	304	353	338
November ..	398	240	444	346	297	457	357	314	308	345	334
December ..	399	236	419	346	293	457	355	319	304	348	335
January ..	400	236	424	347	278	458	355	318	302	349	335
February ..	397	236	434	347	273	458	355	320	301	350	336
March ..	398	236	404	347	278	458	353	323	301	351	337
April ..	395	236	389	346	277	458	351	321	301	349	335
May ..	393	236	384	346	263	420	343	330	290	355	336
June ..	394	236	387	346	254	420	343	332	290	357	337
1958-59—											
July ..	394	231	387	327	249	420	339	332	285	357	336
August ..	394	231	358	327	244	420	338	338	285	360	338
September ..	394	231	358	327	244	432	340	337	283	361	338
October ..	394	231	341	327	243	432	339	330	282	356	334
November ..	394	232	344	327	254	425	338	326	282	352	332
December ..	390	231	337	327	267	420	336	322	282	348	328
January ..	391	231	333	327	263	422	336	320	280	347	327
February ..	392	231	346	327	284	422	338	323	281	354	332
March ..	390	232	353	327	326	422	340	341	282	365	340
April ..	390	232	398	327	410	422	346	340	282	368	343
May ..	387	232	402	327	371	422	344	336	284	363	340
June ..	388	232	392	327	361	422	343	338	284	364	340
1959-60—											
July ..	385	231	392	330	394	422	343	340	282	366	342
August ..	388	230	417	330	411	422	346	343	281	371	345
September ..	388	223	405	330	414	425	345	339	276	369	342
October ..	388	223	404	328	375	425	343	339	277	367	341
November ..	390	223	399	328	360	425	342	335	279	363	338
December ..	389	223	411	328	359	433	344	338	280	366	341

(a) Reconstructed to exclude potatoes and onions as from base period.
 Imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.

(b) Represents only such

FARM PRODUCTION PRICE INDEXES.

The annual indexes shown in the following table relate to average "prices" of farm products realized in the principal markets of Australia. The "price" data used are average unit values for the total quantities of the relevant commodities produced or marketed in each year and the indexes therefore measure both the effects of changes in prices (as such) and of variations in the quality, type, usage, etc., of products marketed. The indexes for any year relate to the average values of farm products produced or marketed in that year, irrespective of the periods in which payment is received by producers.

The indexes shown below are the Revised Series (December, 1952) in which average quantities of each product marketed in the period 1946-47 to 1950-51 have been used as fixed weights.

The preliminary indexes for 1958-59 are based mainly on the recorded or estimated movement in average values for the major farm products. They will be reviewed from time to time as further "price" data become available.

(Base : Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Year.	Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1936-37	114	115	93	109	126	104
1937-38	98	98	102	99	95	100
1938-39	88	87	105	92	79	96
1946-47	194	182	157	185	187	185
1947-48	267	263	183	247	301	230
1948-49	234	313	197	260	366	225
1949-50	272	396	228	316	483	261
1950-51	291	818	258	505	1,098	308
1951-52	355	501	332	410	552	363
1952-53	364	531	387	440	623	379
1953-54	324	534	395	429	621	365
1954-55	316	489	371	401	540	355
1955-56	330	451	392	397	468	373
1956-57	336	536	386	432	607	374
1957-58	336	435	382	388	473	359
1958-59(a) ..	325	385	395	368	369	367

(a) Subject to revision.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

These index numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all exports. In general the index numbers show price changes in the predominant market or markets for each commodity, but average prices realized for exports are used for some markets.

RECENT TRENDS.

The group indexes show the great fluctuations and the wide dispersion of prices of export commodities in recent years. Since wool is a predominant export (and comprises 45.63 per cent. of the base aggregate of the index), fluctuations in wool prices obscure the effect of movements in prices of the other components on the "All Groups" Index. For this reason the combined effect of price movements in these other components is shown separately in the column "All Groups excluding Wool".

SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX: FIXED WEIGHTS.

In this index the weights are the average annual exports of each commodity (production in the case of gold) during the three years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

(Base of each Index: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Wheat	Butter	Metals. (a)	Meats. (b)	Sugar.	Dried Fruits. (c)	Tallow.	Hides. (d)	Gold.	All Groups.		
											Ex- clud- ing Gold.	Ex- clud- ing Wool.	Total All Groups.
Percentage Distribution of Base Aggregate (1936-37 to 1938-39)	45.63 49.05 ..	17.06 18.34 31.38	11.36 12.21 20.89	6.83 7.34 12.55	6.63 7.13 12.20	2.40 2.58 4.42	1.81 1.94 3.32	0.64 0.69 1.18	0.66 0.72 1.22	6.98 .. 12.84	.. 100.00 ..	.. 100.00 ..	100.00
1936-37 ..	122	123	92	120	98	104	103	122	113	99	116	108	115
1937-38 ..	99	111	107	96	106	92	103	100	100	98	102	105	102
1938-39 ..	79	66	101	84	96	104	94	78	87	103	82	87	83
1949-50 ..	473	400	250	421	196	369	176	400	479	164	399	308	383
1950-51 ..	999	432	271	689	209	410	226	356	752	176	690	365	654
1951-52 ..	564	436	291	811	263	464	302	451	486	184	495	397	473
1952-53 ..	616	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186	505	371	483
1953-54 ..	615	411	325	451	338	479	287	321	336	179	496	356	474
1954-55 ..	538	357	313	511	344	445	267	349	218	178	450	342	431
1955-56 ..	464	324	320	562	355	450	286	353	238	178	414	342	397
1956-57 ..	578	327	250	545	368	501	319	357	240	178	464	331	444
1957-58 ..	471	357	218	398	333	518	341	368	240	178	400	313	385
1958-59 ..	362	350	239	386	394	475 (e)	382	367	335	178 (e)	351 (e)	320 (e)	339
1957-58—													
October ..	498	350	257	423	337	541	337	362	236	178	420	323	403
November ..	483	352	232	409	337	488	344	364	244	178	407	315	391
December ..	445	359	225	372	290	481	346	365	243	178	383	305	369
January ..	453	363	207	369	315	504	345	376	237	178	387	306	373
February ..	468	368	194	375	294	496	349	379	239	178	393	303	378
March ..	422	371	188	375	308	496	346	380	239	178	372	304	358
April ..	400	365	163	370	353	479	346	368	235	178	358	301	346
May ..	392	367	162	369	364	485	339	373	241	178	356	303	344
June ..	400	369	166	377	368	477	347	375	239	178	361	306	348
1958-59—													
July ..	(f) 400	366	178	371	351	481	351	384	228	178	361	304	348
August ..	354	369	190	369	370	477	363	375	234	178	342	310	330
September ..	354	363	190	372	393	476	370	383	250	178	343	312	332
October ..	336	363	195	391	405	473	385	382	270	178	337	318	326
November ..	339	355	222	404	407	477	390	378	273	178	342	323	330
December ..	328	353	242	389	404	470	391	375	285	178	337	324	326
January ..	321	347	250	390	408	490 (f)	391	372	287	178	334	325	323
February ..	339	336	250	384	387	474 (f)	391	360	341	178	339	318	328
March ..	347	336	249	385	382	477 (f)	391	357	428	178	343	319	331
April ..	415	337	249	382	393	473 (e)	387	348	521	178 (e)	377 (e)	321 (e)	364
May ..	415	339	262	396	402	477 (e)	388	347	456	178 (e)	381 (e)	327 (e)	367
June ..	400	336	287	401	429	458 (e)	387	341	452	178 (e)	378 (e)	334 (e)	364
1959-60—													
July ..	(f) 407	332	312	402	439	437 (e)	387	327	464	178 (e)	384 (e)	333 (e)	370
August ..	445	340	336	418	411	461 (e)	365	324	461	178 (e)	406 (e)	344 (e)	390
September ..	430	331	350	420	376	438 (e)	360	309	440	178 (e)	396 (e)	339 (e)	380
October ..	430	330	359	431 (g)		440 (e)	359	307	395	178 (e)	398 (e)	343 (e)	382
November ..	422	333	367	437 (g)		458 (e)	358	304	312	178 (e)	395 (e)	344 (e)	380
December ..	437	333	367	436 (g)		458 (e)	356	307	334	178 (e)	405 (e)	349 (e)	389

(a) Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead.

(b) Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. Guaranteed minimum prices

are used when operative. (c) Sultanas, raisins, currants. (d) Cattle hides, calf skins. (e) Preliminary.

(f) Nominal. (g) Actual prices realized not yet fully known; provisional series are included in "All Groups" Indexes.

NOTE.—The "fixed weights" index numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of export prices, but take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the prices ruling in particular months. An index with "changing weights", which takes account of this factor, is published in a footnote to the Export Price Index in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

SECTION XII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

(Base of each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1911 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Retail Price Index Numbers.					Total "C" Series Retail Price Index.(b)	
	Food and Groceries.(b)	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (c)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.			
Year—							
1911.. ..	1,000	1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000		(d)1,000	
1914.. ..	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140		1,140	
1921.. ..	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537		1,680	
1928.. ..	1,761	1,743	1,507	1,537		1,675	
1932.. ..	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458		1,377	
1938.. ..	1,584	1,540	1,253	1,463		1,488	
1939.. ..	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465		1,526	
1946.. ..	1,852	1,596	2,276	1,776		1,900	
1947.. ..	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825		1,971	
1948.. ..	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913		2,148	
1949.. ..	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037		2,349	
1950.. ..	2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184		2,589	
1951.. ..	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555		3,124	
1952.. ..	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980		3,645	
1953.. ..	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126		3,820	
1954.. ..	4,776	1,949	4,865	3,139		3,960	
1955.. ..	5,027	2,005	4,894	3,168		3,970	
	A	B				A	B
1956.. ..	5,227	5,514	2,166	4,930	3,403	4,130	4,226
1957.. ..	5,315	5,311	2,256	5,075	3,611	4,259	4,257
1958.. ..	5,402	5,352	2,386	5,167	3,690	4,357	4,340
1959.. ..	5,571	5,563	2,512	5,223	3,777	4,473	4,470
Quarter—							
1954.							
March	4,798		1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	
June	4,774		1,947	4,856	3,137	3,856	
September	4,746		1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	
December	4,787		1,977	4,870	3,136	3,871	
1955.							
March	4,882		1,983	4,865	3,115	3,898	
June	4,952		1,997	4,898	3,151	3,941	
	A	B				A	B
September	5,024	5,103	2,014	4,903	3,168	3,973	4,001
December	5,061	5,169	2,025	4,910	3,239	4,004	4,041
1956.							
March	5,098	5,232	2,142	4,903	3,253	4,044	4,090
June	5,225	5,461	2,158	4,910	3,367	4,115	4,195
September	5,302	5,800	2,174	4,928	3,460	4,167	4,334
December	5,282	5,562	2,189	4,977	3,532	4,192	4,286
1957.							
March	5,315	5,331	2,213	5,024	3,556	4,226	4,231
June	5,322	5,359	2,245	5,070	3,605	4,256	4,268
September	5,340	5,319	2,271	5,087	3,634	4,278	4,271
December	5,284	5,234	2,288	5,119	3,649	4,275	4,256
1958.							
March	5,385	5,343	2,308	5,129	3,652	4,316	4,301
June	5,396	5,332	2,379	5,176	3,653	4,348	4,326
September	5,395	5,329	2,414	5,179	3,683	4,364	4,341
December	5,431	5,404	2,444	5,184	3,768	4,401	4,391
1959.							
March	5,466	5,484	2,470	5,170	3,766	4,414	4,419
June	5,536	5,518	2,491	5,200	3,764	4,449	4,442
September	5,613	5,600	2,524	5,223	3,781	4,492	4,487
December	5,668	5,650	2,562	5,297	3,793	4,538	4,533

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of food and groceries and rent, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) Indexes in columns "A" exclude, and those in columns "B" include, the price movement of potatoes and onions. (c) See note (b) on page 106. (d) Taken back from November, 1914 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

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NOTE.—(1) In most cases where figures are available back to 1861, these were shown in the September, 1953 issue of the *Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics*, pages 112 and 113.

(2) Most of the statistics in this summary relate to the periods shown in the table headings. In those comparatively few cases where the statistics relate to other periods, this is indicated in footnotes.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1959.
DEMOGRAPHY(a)—								
Population(b)								
'000 Males ..	1,737	2,005	2,382	2,799	3,333	3,599	4,311	5,029
'000 Females ..	1,004	1,820	2,192	2,712	3,220	3,545	4,217	4,923
'000 Persons ..	3,241	3,825	4,574	5,511	6,553	7,144	8,528	9,952
Net Oversea Migration '000	26.9	3.0	74.4	17.5	-10.1	5.2	111.4	65.4
Marriages .. '000	24	28	39	47	39	75	77	74
Divorces(d) and Judicial Separations .. '000	7.5	7.3	8.8	8.6	6.0	10.6	9.2	7.5
Births .. '000	194	398	509	1,490	1,969	3,351	7,330	6,983
Deaths .. '000	110	103	122	136	119	135	193	223
Infant Deaths .. '000	34.5	27.2	27.2	25.0	18.2	18.9	23.0	22.6
Rate(e)	47	46	48	54	57	71	82	84
Rate(f)	14.8	12.2	10.7	9.9	8.7	10.0	9.7	8.5
Rate(g)	12.7	10.7	8.4	9.0	5.0	5.3	4.9	4.6
Rate(h)	115.3	103.6	68.5	65.7	42.1	39.7	25.2	20.5
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INDUSTRIES—								
Agricultural(f)—								
Wheat ..								
Area mill. acs.	3.3	5.1	7.4	9.7	14.7	12.0	10.4	10.4
Yield mill. bus.	26	39	72	129	191	167	160	215
Av. Yield bus. '000 acs.	7.7	7.5	9.6	13.3	12.9	13.9	15.4	20.7
Oats ..								
Area '000 acs.	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	2,365	2,974
Yield mill. bus.	5.7	9.8	9.6	12.1	15.2	22.3	34.5	36.9
Av. Yield bus. '000 acs.	23.3	21.2	15.5	16.6	14.0	15.3	14.6	21.9
Barley ..								
Area '000 acs.	68	75	116	299	342	784	1,118	2,381
Yield mill. bus.	1.2	1.5	2.1	6.1	6.3	18.0	21.9	63.0
Av. Yield bus. '000 acs.	17.3	20.4	17.7	20.4	18.4	23.0	19.6	26.5
Maize ..								
Area '000 acs.	284	295	340	305	269	301	170	180
Yield mill. bus.	9.3	7.0	8.9	7.8	7.1	7.4	4.0	6.7
Av. Yield bus. '000 acs.	32.6	23.9	26.3	25.7	26.2	24.7	23.7	37.4
Hay ..								
Area '000 acs.	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	1,549	3,018
Yield '000 tons	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	2,345	5,090
Av. Yield tons '000 acs.	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.51	1.69
Potatoes ..								
Area '000 acs.	113	110	130	149	145	99	118	105
Yield '000 tons	380	323	301	888	397	333	509	575
Av. Yield tons '000 acs.	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	4.31	5.49
Sugar-cane(g)								
Area '000 acs.	45	87	101	128	242	255	282	370
Yield '000 tons	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	5,327	10,213
Av. Yield tons '000 acs.	16.2	15.7	16.7	19.0	17.4	20.3	18.9	27.6
Vineyards ..								
Area '000 acs.	49	64	61	92	115	130	136	129
Wine mill. gals.	3.4	5.3	5.0	8.5	14.2	15.6	35.3	30.8
Total Area of Crops mill. acs.	5.4	8.4	12.1	15.4	21.2	20.5	19.7	25.1
Pastoral, Dairying, etc.—								
Livestock(h)								
Horses mill.	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.4	1.8	1.6	0.9	0.7
Cattle ..	11.1	8.5	11.8	14.4	12.3	13.6	14.9	16.3
Sheep ..	106	72	97	86	111	125	118	153
Pigs ..	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.0	1.3
Wool(i) .. mill. lb.	(a) 634	(a) 539	(a) 798	723	1,007	1,167	1,080	1,591
Butter .. '000 tons	(a) 19	(a) 46	(a) 95	(a) 119	175	168	135	194
Cheese .. '000 tons	(a) 4.5	(a) 5.3	(a) 7.1	(a) 14.6	14.0	30.1	40.6	43.1
Meat(j)—								
Beef and Veal ..								
Mutton and Lamb ..	(k)	(k)	(k)		339	534	582	907
Pigmeat ..	(k)	(k)	(k)		218	307	282	492
Total Meat ..	(k)	(k)	(k)		51	70	85	102
					608	727	1,027	1,501

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) At 31st December of previous year. (c) Number per 1,000 of mean population. (d) Decreases made absolute, including decrees for nullity of marriage. (e) Number per 1,000 live births. (f) Season ending in year shown. (g) Cane cut for crushing. (h) As at 31st December of previous year for years to 1942, as at 31st March thereafter. (i) In terms of greasy. (j) Bone-in weight in terms of fresh meat, cured weight, bacon and ham. (k) Not available.

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NOTE.—See headnotes on page 121.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1959.
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INDUSTRIES—continued.								
Mineral(a)(b)—								
Copper(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	13.5	20.9	18.6	75.0
Gold(c) .. '000 fine oz.	1,243	3,300	2,484	758	595	1,497	896	1,100
Lead(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	150.8	289.4	212.0	327.4
Zinc(c) .. " "	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	66.1	232.6	189.2	263.0
Black Coal .. mill. tons.	4.4	6.9	10.6	12.8	8.4	14.2	17.6	20.5
Brown Coal .. " "	..	..	(e)	0.1	2.2	4.6	7.8	12.2
Forestry—								
Sawn output of native timber mill. sup. ft.	(d)	(a) 452	(a) 605	590	237	914	1,393	1,480
Factories—								
Number of factories '000								
Persons employed ..	(f)	(f)	{ 14.5	18.0	21.7	27.0	45.8	54.9
Salaries and wages paid £m.	(f)	(f)	{ 312	379	337	725	978	1,091
Net value of production—			{ 28	68	56	180	612	972
Chemicals, etc. .. £m.			{ 1.1	3.2	7.9	24.8	63.7	159.0
Industrial metals, etc. ..			{ 12.0	23.6	22.8	119.9	413.1	735.8
Textiles, etc. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 7.5	19.2	{ 6.9	21.0	56.6	95.6
Clothing ..	(d)	(d)	{ 11.1	23.6	{ 11.1	23.6	81.1	110.7
Food, etc. ..			{ 11.8	27.2	{ 28.7	53.2	141.1	234.8
Paper, etc. ..			{ 4.2	9.0	{ 9.6	17.1	68.2	131.7
All groups ..	23.3	29.1	{ 47.5	112.5	{ 111.0	316.5	1,024.9	1,840.6
Value of plant & machinery, ..	(d)	(d)	{ 31.4	78.1	{ 121.5	169.2	412.5	1,118.7
Value of land and buildings ..	(d)	(d)	{ 32.5	67.3	{ 106.6	156.3	360.2	951.7
Net Value of production(g)—								
Agriculture .. £m.	17.0	23.8	38.8	81.9	49.7	64.0	246.7	326.2
Pastoral ..	31.3	27.2	52.7	75.1	43.0	85.4	400.5	443.1
Dairying ..	6.0	7.6	16.1	35.3	22.6	34.3	103.8	146.5
Poultry ..	1.9	2.0	4.0	9.0	5.7	6.5	31.5	27.5
Bee-farming ..	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.8	1.6
Total, Rural ..	56.3	60.7	111.7	201.4	121.1	190.6	783.3	944.9
Trapping ..	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	1.5	5.0	6.7	6.6
Forestry ..	4.4	2.8	{ 4.8	9.1	{ 3.9	10.2	37.9	51.4
Fishing and Whaling ..			{ 1.1	1.4	{ 1.4	1.8	5.7	11.1
Mining and Quarrying ..	12.1	22.0	23.3	20.0	13.5	33.4	97.2	118.6
Total, Non-rural ..	16.5	24.8	29.2	30.5	20.3	50.4	147.5	187.7
Total, Primary ..	72.8	85.5	140.9	231.9	141.4	241.0	930.8	1,132.6
Factories ..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5	111.0	316.5	1,024.9	1,840.6
Total, All Industries ..	96.1	114.6	188.4	344.4	252.4	557.5	1,955.7	2,973.2
BUILDING(h)—								
Permits, New Dwellings { '000	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	{ 2.1	9.7	32.8	42.5
Permits, All Buildings(i) { £m.	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	{ 1.5	9.6	80.4	153.4
					{ 4.6	13.5	116.4	259.9
OVERSEA TRADE—								
Imports .. £m. f.o.b.	(a) 34	(a) 38	(a) 61	94	52	174	1,053	797
Exports .. " "	36	50	79	128	108	169	675	811
Principal Exports(j)—								
Wool .. { mill. lb.(k)	641	529	734	946	903	938	1,036	1,392
.. { £m. f.o.b.	20	15	26	48	32	58	323	302
Wheat .. { '000 tons	258	543	1,477	2,677	3,413	598	1,685	1,463
.. { £m. f.o.b.	1.9	2.8	9.6	28.6	19.2	4.6	55.3	38.4
Flour .. { '000 short tons	33	97	176	360	611	414	789	447
.. { £m. f.o.b.	0.3	0.6	1.4	5.5	3.8	4.2	33.0	13.3
Butter .. { mill. lb.	4	85	102	127	202	130	25	173
.. { £m. f.o.b.	0.2	1.4	4.6	8.0	10.3	8.1	4.6	25.0
Hides and Skins .. £m. f.o.b.	0.9	1.3	3.2	3.1	2.3	6.0	17.1	23.6
Meats .. " "	0.5	2.6	4.3	5.5	6.4	14.1	35.5	97.2
Fruit(l) .. " "	..	0.2	0.5	3.0	4.8	4.0	19.5	35.3
Sugar .. " "	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	2.5	2.6	6.9	32.2
Gold .. " "	5.7	14.3	12.0	3.5	11.9	9.2	7.0	3.3
Silver and Lead(m) .. " "	1.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	2.9	7.4	32.1	25.4
Ores and Concentrates(n) ..	..	(e)	3.7	0.8	0.2	1.3	20.4	12.0

(a) Year ended previous December.

(b) Breaks in the continuity of the series occurred in 1931 and 1951.

(c) Mine production; i.e., metal content of minerals produced.

(d) Not available.

(e) Less than .05.

(f) Owing to variation in classification, effective comparison is impossible.

(g) Gross value from 1891 to 1921–22. Prior to 1922 figures are for years ended previous December.

(h) Six capital cities and suburbs.

(i) Includes additions and alterations.

(j) Australian

(k) Excludes fruit juices.

(m) Includes concentrates.

(n) Excluding Lead and Silver-lead ores and concentrates.

See note (m).

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 121.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1959.
OVERSEA TRADE—continued.								
Principal Imports—		(a)	(a)					
Vegetable foodstuffs, etc. .. £m. f.o.b. }		3.6	3.7	4.0	2.6	6.1	25.0	27.8
Apparel, etc. .. " " }		10.9	16.2	31.0	15.4	32.7	203.6	97.0
Oil, etc. .. " " }		1.2	1.6	4.7	5.5	16.2	87.5	104.5
Metals, etc. .. " " }		7.8	14.0	22.8	7.4	71.8	393.4	292.9
Rubber, etc. .. " " }		0.5	1.4	1.7	0.8	3.2	34.0	16.8
Paper, etc. .. " " }		1.6	2.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	68.8	48.2
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION—								
Shipping—		(a)	(a)					
Oversea Vessels, } No. 3,778		4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	2,544	4,136	5,463
Entrances and } mill. tons 4.7		6.5	10.0	9.1	11.4	10.8	18.2	26.0
Oversea Cargo—								
Discharged mill. tons (c) }			(b)	2.4	3.0	5.5	14.4	16.9
Shipped " " (c) }			(b)	5.8	6.7	4.2	5.7	10.1
Interstate Vessels, } No. 9,605		(b)	9,782	7,957	9,100	7,524	9,995	
Entrances and } mill. tons (b)			13.1	12.8	11.1	12.9	15.8	18.9
Clearances } mill. tons (b)				5.5	4.0	10.0	9.0	13.4
Interstate Cargo Shipped mill. tons (c) }			(d)					
Government Railways—		(d)	(d)					
Route-miles .. '000 10.4		12.8	16.8	23.5	27.0	27.2	26.8	26.3
Passenger-journeys mill. 84		115	228	335	303	475	501	485
Goods and livestock carried mill. tons 9.4		15.5	25.5	31.5	26.1	38.9	44.3	48.0
Train-miles run .. mill. 29.7		38.2	55.2	56.1	63.8	88.5	93.4	91.3
Tramways and Omnibuses—								
Passenger-journeys—								
Trams and Trolley Buses mill. }		(b)	(b)	360	569	589	874	663
Omnibuses .. " }				(b)	(b)	(b)	193	356
Motor vehicles on the register—								
Cars .. '000 }			(b)	102	420	451	1,026	1,783
Commercial vehicles .. " }					96	251	585	766
Civil Aviation(e)—								
Plane-miles flown .. mill. }					2.5	7.8	41.8	40.3
Passengers carried .. '000 }					57	152	1,829	2,235
Passenger-miles .. mill. }					(b)	76	722	944
Freight car- } '000 tons(f) }					0.1	1.2	57.5	62.8
ried } '000 ton-miles(f) }					(b)	0.9	26.7	23.8
Postal—		(a)	(a)	(a)				
Postal matter dealt with(g) mill. articles 286		365	680	778	887	1,124	1,482	1,955
Telegrams and cablegrams mill. 10.0		9.9	13.3	16.8	13.9	26.1	20.8	22.5
Telephones—								
Instruments .. '000 7		29	103	259	485	739	1,301	2,056
Lines .. " (b)		25	85	196	364	531	928	1,443
Calls—Trunk .. mill. (b)		(b)	(b)	14.0	28.9	45.3	69.4	123.5
Local .. " (b)		(b)	(b)	221	369	664	968	1,380
Broadcast Listeners' Licences '000 ..				(h) 36	369	1,320	1,961	2,264
PUBLIC FINANCE—								
Commonwealth—								
Consolidated Revenue Fund—		(d)	(d)					
Revenue .. £m. 11		21	64	72	210	1,017	1,296	
Expenditure .. " 4		15	64	72	210	1,017	1,296	
Net loan fund expenditure(i) ..		1	5	4	213	55	94	
Taxation collections ..		9	16	50	54	180	934	1,133
State—								
Consolidated Revenue Funds—								
Revenue .. £m. (b)		28	41	85	100	152	388	640
Expenditure .. " (b)		29	41	87	121	149	392	647
Net loan expenditure(i) .. (b)		9	16	34	6	8	198	169
Taxation collections .. (b)		3	5	18	33	57	63	138
Public Debt(j)—								
Commonwealth .. £m. ..			6	354	319	638	1,869	1,649
State .. " a155.1		213	279	519	789	911	1,396	2,392
Total .. " a155.1		213	285	873	1,108	1,549	3,265	4,041
Overseas .. " (b)			194	412	522	516	406	451
In Australia .. " (b)			91	461	586	1,033	2,859	3,590

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Not available. (c) Tons weight plus tons measurement. (d) Year ended 30th June. (e) Regular internal services. (f) In terms of short tons (2,000 lb.). (g) Letters, postcards, letter-cards, newspapers, packets, parcels and registered articles. (h) Year 1923-24. (i) Loan expenditure on works, services, etc. (j) At 30th June.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 121.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1959.
PRIVATE FINANCE—								
Commonwealth Note Issue(a) £m.	(b)	(b)	8	54	51	103	303	396
Cheque-paying Banks—								
Advances(c)	125	94	119	182	261	324	817	999
Deposits(c)	98	93	150	289	319	481	1,353	1,695
Bank clearings(d) ..	(b)	338	662	1,702	1,581	2,828	12,160	16,926
Savings bank deposits(e)	(d) 15	31	59	154	198	274	892	1,391
Life Assurance(d)(f)—								
Ordinary—								
Policies .. '000	(b)	414	484	730	871	1,340	2,553	3,577
Sum assured .. £m.		108	109	181	285	463	1,212	2,873
Industrial—								
Policies .. '000		236	467	973	1,550	2,780	3,843	3,531
Sum assured .. £m.		5	10	30	67	127	254	329
Total—								
Policies .. '000		650	951	1,703	2,421	4,120	6,396	7,108
Sum assured .. £m.		113	119	211	352	590	1,466	3,202
SOCIAL STATISTICS—								
Commonwealth Social Services—								
Age and Invalid Pen- sions .. '000(g)	..	..	90	144	256	336	420	598
Children .. '000(g)	..	..	2.2	5.4	11.1	19.3	59.8	129.6
Endowed .. '000(g)	..	..	..	..	..	910	2,518	3,172
Claims in force .. £m.	..	..	..	..	..	11.3	46.6	67.5
Total Commonwealth Social and Health Services(h) £m.	..	..	2.2	6.1	11.5	30.9	137.6	278.2
War Pensions .. '000(g)	..	..	..	225	274	220	525	642
.. £m.	..	..	..	7.0	7.4	7.5	31.8	50.9
Service Pensions .. '000(g)	..	..	..	..	..	14	17	44
.. £m.	..	..	..	..	..	0.6	1.8	6.2
State Social Services(i)—								
Education(d)—								
Government Schools—								
Schools .. '000	6.2	7.0	8.0	9.4	10.1	9.5	7.6	7.9
Staff	12.6	14.5	17.0	26.1	33.8	32.1	36.7	51.8
Students	561	638	639	819	937	887	1,013	1,492
Non-Government Schools—								
Schools .. '000	2.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.1
Staff	6.0	8.3	7.8	8.8	10.0	11.4	13.3	16.3
Students	125	149	161	199	221	257	326	473
Universities(j)—								
Number	4	4	5	6	6	8	9	10
Staff(k)	(b)	(b)	249	482	703	1,416	3,082	4,210
Students .. '000	1.6	1.8	3.4	8.0	9.8	13.9	31.7	41.9
Public Hospitals—								
Number	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)			
Staff—Medical .. '000	(b)	285	355	404	513	566	675	737
Nursing	(b)	(b)	1.1	1.5	3.2	3.9	6.9	9.1
In-patients, cases treated ..	(lm) 54	(n) 91	134	215	371	595	896	1,124
POLICE AND PRISONS(d)—								
Police	'000	5.3	5.8	6.4	6.9	8.6	9.7	12.3
Prisons	(b)	(b)	104	91	85	70	69	73
Prisoners	'000	(b)	4.3	3.1	2.9	4.2	3.2	4.8
PRICES(d)—								
"C" Series Retail Price Index ..	..	..	1,000	1,680	1,448	1,673	3,124	(n)4,357 (o)4,340

(a) At the end of June. (b) Not available. (c) Figures for 1892 are averages of weekly balances for the December quarter, 1891; the remainder are for the June quarter. (d) Year ended previous December. (e) 1891 at 31st December, thereafter 30th June. (f) Existing business in Australia. (g) At 30th June. (h) Excludes war and service pensions. (i) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (j) Excludes Australian National University. (k) Teaching and research staff. Includes part-time. (l) Year 1891-92 for Victoria. (m) Adelaide Hospital only included in South Australia. (n) Excludes price movement of potatoes and onions. (o) Includes price movement of potatoes and onions.

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